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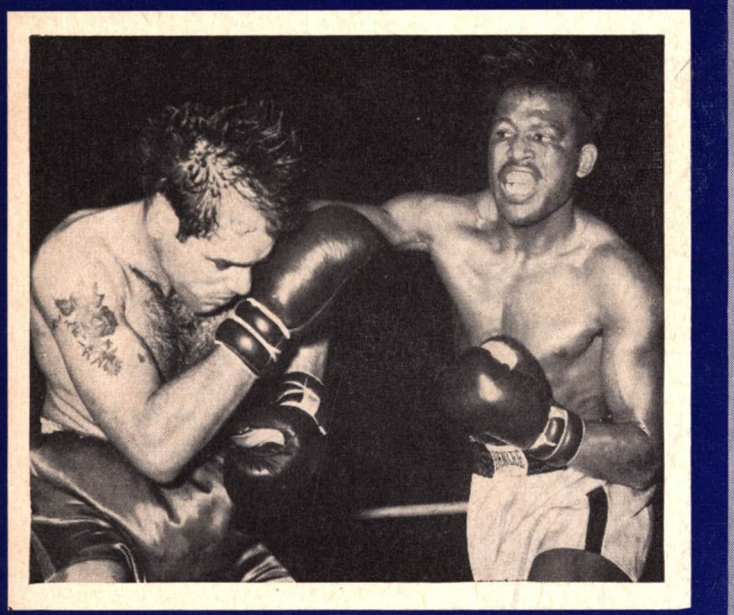

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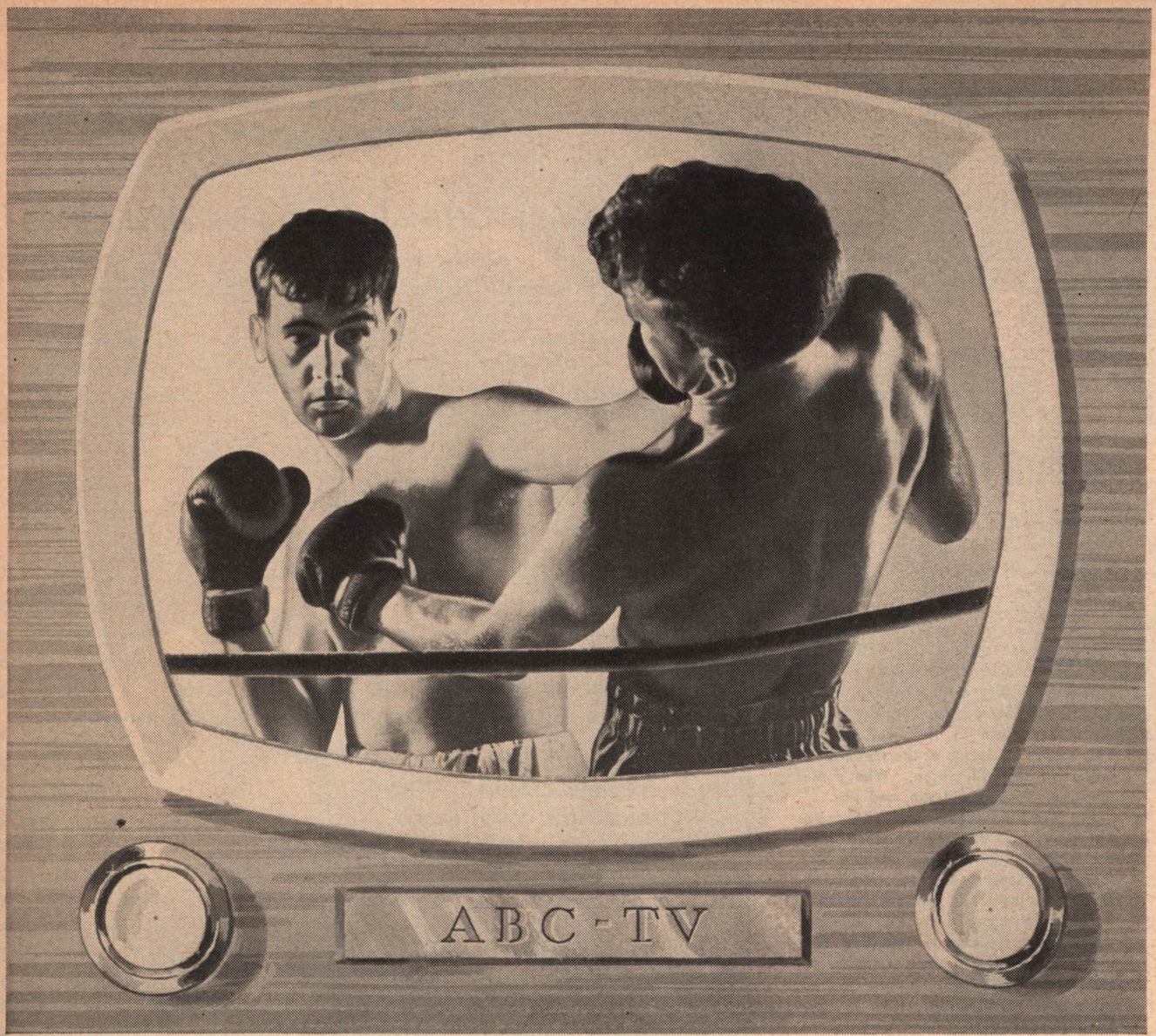

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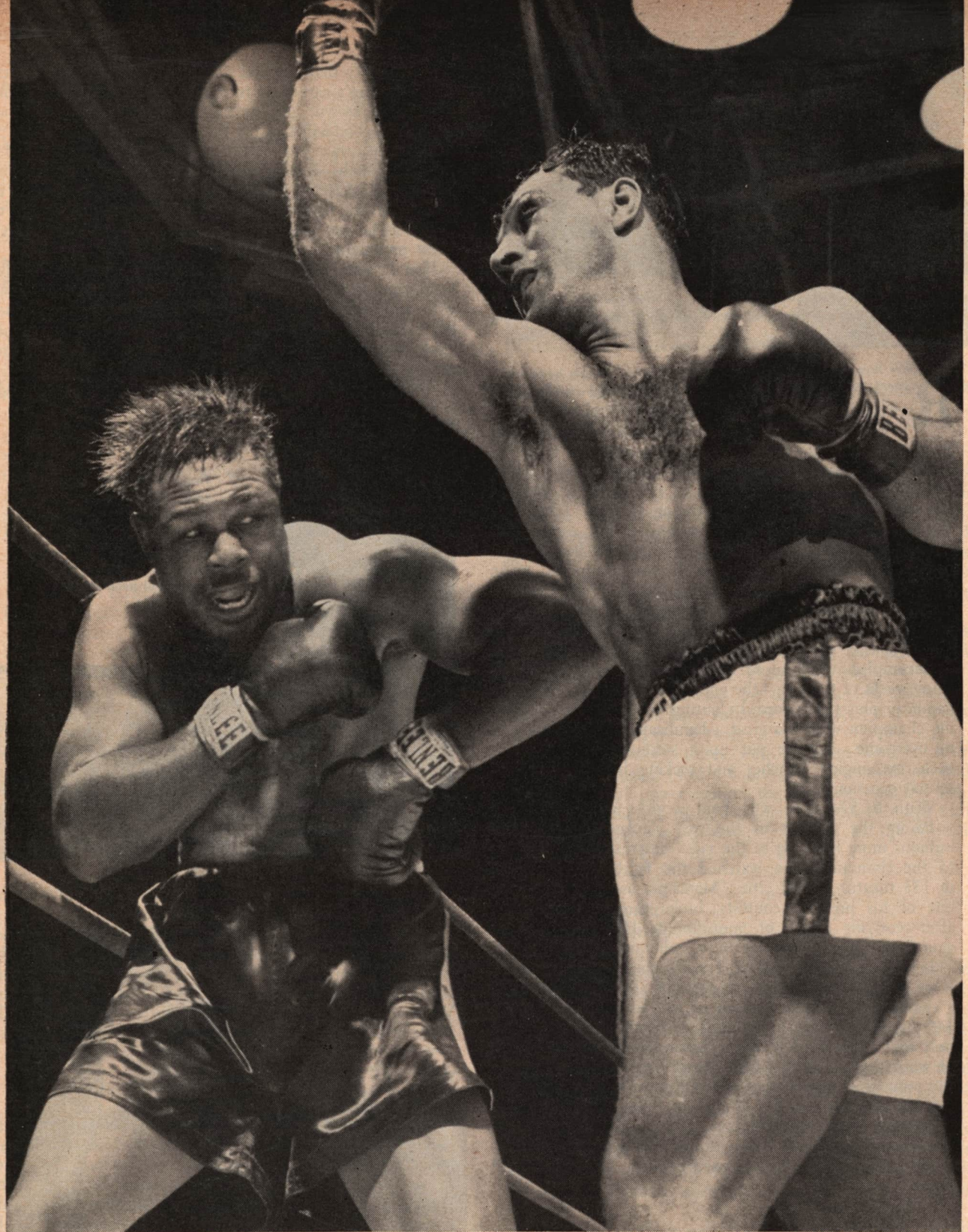
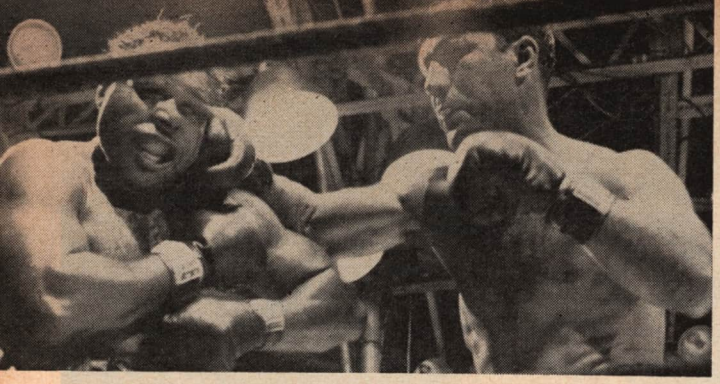


Action! Camera! It's Rocky!

Marciano, Victor in 1:19 of Ninth Round Over Archie Moore, Gains Recognition With All-Time Punchers

by Nat Fleischer



Archie heard as well as felt this one, a thunderous Marciano right that smashed against the light-heavyweight champion's left ear during the early milling.

ROCKY MARCIANO, the 31-year-old undefeated world heavyweight champion, did it again.

The clouting fists of the Brockton Blockbuster enabled him to add to his knockout record, this time the victim being Archie Moore, seven years his senior and a veteran of close to twenty years of ring activity. Making his sixth title defense since winning it from Jersey Joe Walcott, Rocky ended the aspirations of the cocky light heavyweight king, who was making a bid for heavyweight honors. He halted him in 1:19 of round nine to make this his forty-ninth straight triumph and forty-third knockout. The kayo came after the challenger had been dropped four times and the champion once.

The master craftsman of the art of self-defense failed to accomplish what he so frequently preached during his many weeks of training—the end of Rocky's reign. The age handicap plus the powerful clouting powers of the defending champion were too great a handicap for the challenger to overcome. But he put up a sterling battle, fighting back, exchanging punches and rocking his opponent on several occasions.

With 61,574 fans, who paid a gross of $948,117.95, watching the combat in the vast Yankee Stadium and millions more listening to the radio description in addition to the thousands who watched the fight on the screen in 133 theatres, in 92 cities, Marciano, as in almost every one of his previous contests, broke through the barrier after receiving plenty of punishment. However, once he gained the upper hand, he never relinquished it.

It was a splendid contest, true to the pre-battle predictions, a fight in which a far superior all-round performer, a challenger who had engaged in all parts of the world in 144 bouts in which he stopped 82 rivals and was halted only four times himself, learned that though the thousands of words he had used in his camp interviews in belittling the prowess of the champion aided considerably in making this the greatest pay day Archie ever had in two decades of boxing, they didn't to any extent affect the fighting qualities of the Rock. If anything, it added to the determination of the defending champion to keep his record clean.

WILL REMAIN IDLE UNTIL NEXT SUMMER

With the contest over, all eyes are now focused on the future.

What's in store for both victor and vanquished since each is a crown wearer and will be called upon to defend his laurels?

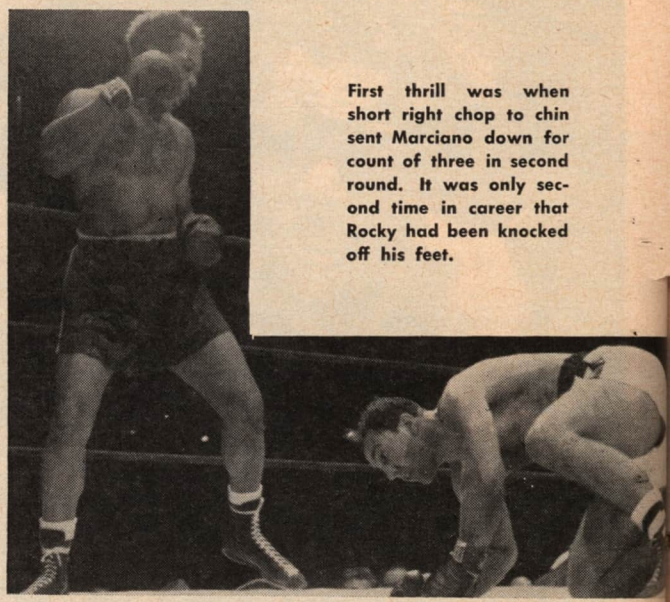
Though a six month's period of grace is permitted under the rules before a champion must defend his laurels, the rule will have no bearing on Marciano's future. He has made known that there will be no winter fight for him.

His manager, Al Weill, expects that after a long rest, the Rock will defend his crown again next June in New York, the city that enabled him to reap the richest harvest of the champ's career by turning out en masse to see him defend his crown, and in the interim he hopes to tour Italy on a good-will trip for the State Department.

Three heavyweights stand out as possible opponents for the June match—Bob Baker, of Pittsburgh; Tommy Jackson, the Far Rockaway, N. Y., clown, and Nino Valdes of Cuba. Of the trio at this writing, Baker is the choice of Weill, as he was prior to the signing of Moore as Rocky's latest opponent.

Had it not been for public clamor, Baker would have been seen in the place of Archie at the Yankee Stadium, with probably a third of the gate in attendance, since he lacks color, has a weak chin and has a brittle hand. Fortunate for Marciano and Jim Norris, the I.B.C. promoter, that Moore, not Baker, was the choice.

Archie sold himself to the public. It was he who made



First thrill was when short right chop to chin sent Marciano down for count of three in second round. It was only second time in career that Rocky had been knocked off his feet.

the fight the huge success it was financially. He kept up the public interest with his training camp chatters.

Without belittling Marciano as an attraction, it must be frankly stated that without Moore the last heavyweight title bout wouldn't have drawn half the amount it did with Baker, Jackson or Valdes. Even Jim Norris and Weill admit that. Yet one of these three,—if left to Weill, Baker will be the man—will be Rocky's next challenger.

WEILL HAS EYE ON BAKER AS NEXT CHALLENGER

Though Baker at this stage rates Number One in world rankings, with Jackson next and Valdes third, the Cuban looms as best as an attraction. Trained properly, he figures to give Rocky a better fight than either of the others. His appearance would lend international flavor to a battle in which the greatest pulverizing fighting machine would be pitted against ordinary talent such as the present trio of contenders make up.

His recent knockout of Don Cockell, who was forced to quit after three rounds, after the British heavyweight king had gone nine with Marciano, give Valdes a big advantage over his rivals. The publicity angle must play a big part in the next heavyweight title bout and Nino's background overshadows that of Baker or Jackson, despite the fact that the Far Rockaway clown is a public favorite due to his ring antics.

But the fans will recall Nino's knockout of Tommy in two rounds and that won't help bring in the crowd for a fight between him and Rocky, despite Jackson's

two victories over Ezzard Charles whose days as a top fighter are close to an end.

From all angles, one must at this stage choose the Cuban as the best for the next shot, though much can happen between now to change the picture. As for Jim Norris, he says it is too early to think of Rocky's next opponent but that he is figuring on an elimination if such can be arranged in which all three will participate.

MOORE SEEKS RETURN BOUT WITH ROCKY

So much for Marciano's future.

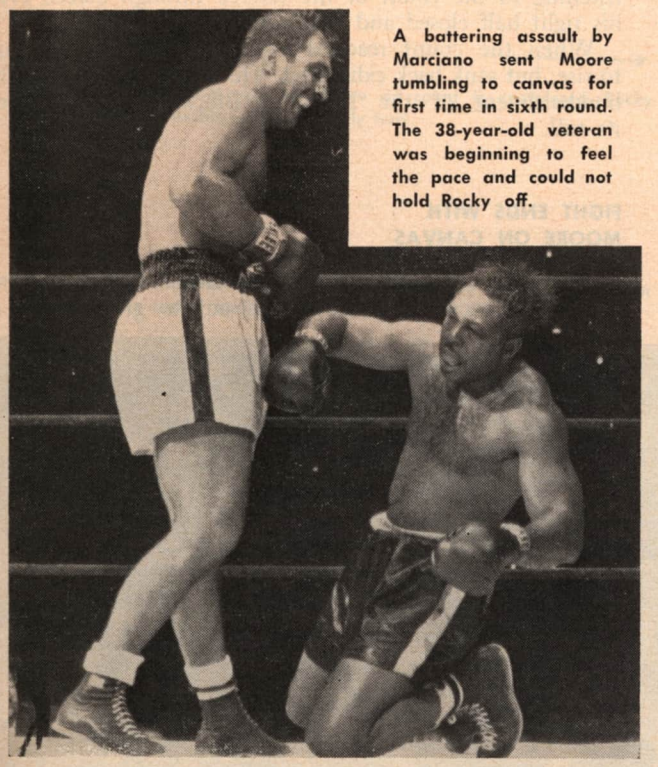
What of his victim? Archie still holds the world light heavyweight crown and declared that if he can get another shot at Marciano he'd like it, but if he can't, he's prepared to defend his title against the best challenger.

"Marciano knows where he can make some more big dough. He realizes as I do what fight will bring him another record crowd. I made one big mistake in following him after I had dropped him in the second round and had him groggy. I should have picked him off with straight punches and I think I would have gotten him. Perhaps if I get another opportunity, I'll fight him a little differently. I hope I can get that rematch but if not, I still have others I can tackle."

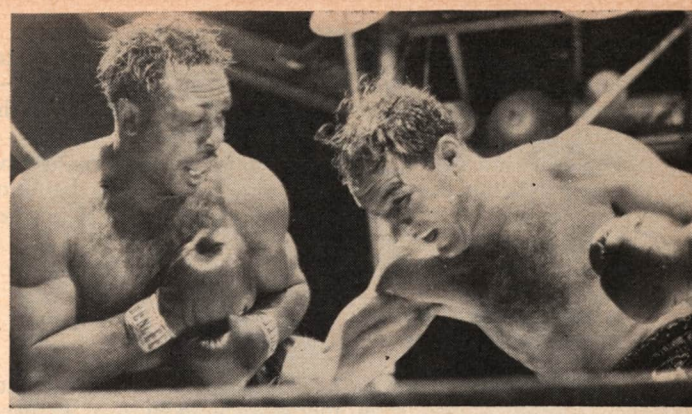
As for the thrilling battle that ended in Rocky's successful title defense, the champion will always remember that as his toughest and most thrilling. Few heavyweight frays have been marked by such dramatic fighting as this one in which the Brockton Blockbuster annexed his forty-third knockout and kept his slate clean.

Though all officials and every one of the several hundred scribes at the ringside had Rocky leading at the time of the finish, the score cards didn't give a fair estimate of punishment meted out to the victor. Judge Harold Barnes, the best in New York, had Rocky ahead by a five to three count when the ninth started. The referee, Harry Kessler, scored five for Rocky, two for Moore and one even, and Artie Aidala, the other judge, gave Moore only one round.

My tally was six to two. I gave Moore the second and fifth rounds.



A battering assault by Marciano sent Moore tumbling to canvas for first time in sixth round. The 38-year-old veteran was beginning to feel the pace and could not hold Rocky off.



Marciano gave Moore little chance to use his speed and skill in mid-ring. He crowded Archie to ropes and wore him down by a relentless two-handed bombardment.

But even in the rounds that Moore lost, he gave plenty and took plenty. There was no let up in his fighting. He stood his ground even when pressed against the ropes, which happened five times, and through the barrage tossed at him, he stopped more than half the punches with his arms or blocked them. But those that did come through struck with such effectiveness that they wore him down and paved the way for his ultimate downfall.

I doubt that any other of the present day heavyweights would have lasted half the time Moore did facing such devastating blows. Had the champion landed fifty percent of the many punches he tossed at his challenger, Archie would never have survived the sixth round barrage in which he went down twice.

Many of Rocky's tosses went wild or were a little short of the mark. But his stamina, determination and the tremendous power behind the punches that did connect, were sufficient to enable him to come through with the victory that was so heavily predicted by the 4 to 1 ringside odds.

THE ROCK DOWNED IN SECOND ROUND

For a few moments in the second round, after Marciano had gained a clean margin advantage in the opening session, it seemed that the vast crowd would be treated to the biggest heavyweight championship upset since Jimmy Braddock dethroned Max Baer.

Fighting cleverly, Moore, stepping back as Rocky tried to nail him with a left hook, caught the champion with a short right to the jaw and dropped him amidst a howl from the thousands who packed the Stadium. Though the Rock got up at the count of two, he was dazed and that's where Archie, with his knowledge of boxing gained through almost two decades against the world's best, made his mistake.

Instead of stepping out of range and depending on his long reach to take full advantage of the situation he had created, Moore went in for the kill. He went after Rocky and brought claret from the Rock's nose. But the champion, in close, was able to check the attack that might have proved fatal to him. Then, suddenly coming to life, he bounced a powerful right off Archie's chin and followed with an attack that ended only when the bell sounded.

As he walked to his corner, he seemed a bit unsteady and blinked but when the gong sounded for the third round he was the old Rocky again, tossing blows from all angles, many missing, some landing, but ever on the go. From then on, Moore was subjected in every round

to the withering fire of his adversary, who no matter how hard he was hit, fought as a challenger should—until his strength gave way, his arms grew weak and the inevitable took place.

There's no fighter in the world to-day who could have given a better account of himself against such battering from a man of steel and iron as did Archie. He earned every penny he made.

A DUEL OF LEATHER; BOTH BOXERS HURT

It was fierce, gruelling fistic fray, a duel of leather such as was envisioned from the day the bout was arranged. Archie didn't let down his friends, his staunch supporters who fought his battle when he demanded recognition, nor did Marciano, who fought his usual crude but effective battering-ram fight. It was only the second time in Marciano's career that he was felled, the other being when he was dropped in Philadelphia by Jersey Joe Walcott.

Marciano proved that he can take a punch, something many have doubted. Time and again the perfectly timed deliveries of Archie landed with effectiveness, several shook him up, yet the Brockton clouter came right back at his tormentor with a wild, furious attack of his own. He either cornered Moore in neutral territory or held him on one side of the ring against the ropes where he found the clever, experienced Archie blocking or taking the punches on his arms. Those terrific attacks made Moore's arms so heavy, he could hardly move them in the final round.

A good winner and a gallant loser forget bitterness of battle once the issue is settled. Archie seems as cheerful as Rocky as they pose for cameraman in mid-ring.

ROCKY TAKES FULL CHARGE IN SIXTH

But it was not until the sixth round that Marciano took full charge. In that session he handed Archie a shellacking with rights to the jaw, twice putting the challenger on the canvas, once for four and again for an eight count.

He gave Moore an unmerciful beating, pounding away with flaying fists, though many blows missed. The bell brought sweet music to Moore's ears.

As he staggered to his corner, Dr. Nardiello rushed into the ring, examined Archie, then advised Referee Kessler on the challenger's condition but permitted the bout to continue.

In the seventh round, Moore again hit the canvas, but the referee ruled this a slip though Marciano had tapped Moore on the chin to put him off balance.

From then on, the champion continued his ruthless attack. It was evident to all that the bout would not go much longer as Archie showed signs of distress combined with arm fatigue.

Marciano had Moore on the verge of a kayo in the eighth, when a looping right that landed somewhat as did the punches of Luis Firpo—a sort of chop—spilled Archie to the canvas in a squatting position. It didn't seem possible he could get up on time. He was still down when the bell came to his rescue at the count of six. Had it not, he would undoubtedly have been counted out.

Dr. Nardiello again raced into the ring for a quick examination of Archie and after advising Kessler, let Moore come out for a worse fate in the ninth—his last.

The end came as Marciano, bleeding from nose and a cut over the left eye sustained in the second round, rushed out for the kill.

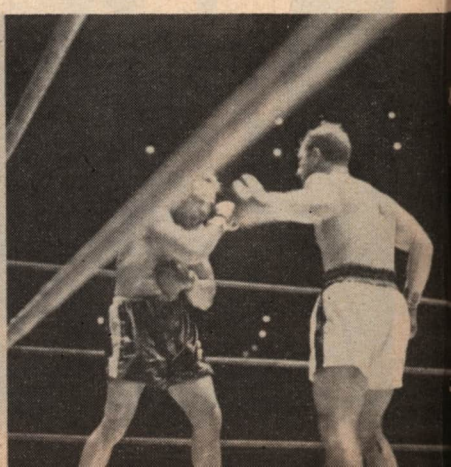
Moore, weary but refusing to yield, stood his ground for a few seconds then was pounded into his own corner and there with a hellish cross-fire of lefts and rights that came so rapidly one couldn't keep up with the count, felled him again. Two pulverizing left hooks, one following quickly on the heels of the other, turned the trick.

Moore sank to the canvas. His legs were too heavy to enable him to move them. He sat with legs crossed, listening to the count of the referee through glazed eyes, his right half closed and claret coming from his nose.

When the count reached eight, he made an attempt to rise, but sank back exhausted. He couldn't make it. The bombardment of the Brockton Blockbuster had taken its toll.

FIGHT ENDS WITH MOORE ON CANVAS

The fight was over. Moore was helped to his seat and he quickly recovered. He walked out to greet Rocky as



the champ's hand was held up in victory, then to show he was not hurt badly, he shadow boxed a little in the ring, again walked over to Rocky and with arm about the champ's shoulders, posed for the movies and newspaper photographers.

This was a typical Marciano fight—a bout in which he displayed as much crudeness as in each of his previous engagements, but did land more punches than heretofore and with greater effectiveness.

As in the fight with Walcott in Philadelphia, he bled from his nose, was down once, was jarred many times, missed swinging blows, was cut up in several places and took plenty of punishment.

TAKES PLACE WITH GREAT HITTERS OF THE PAST

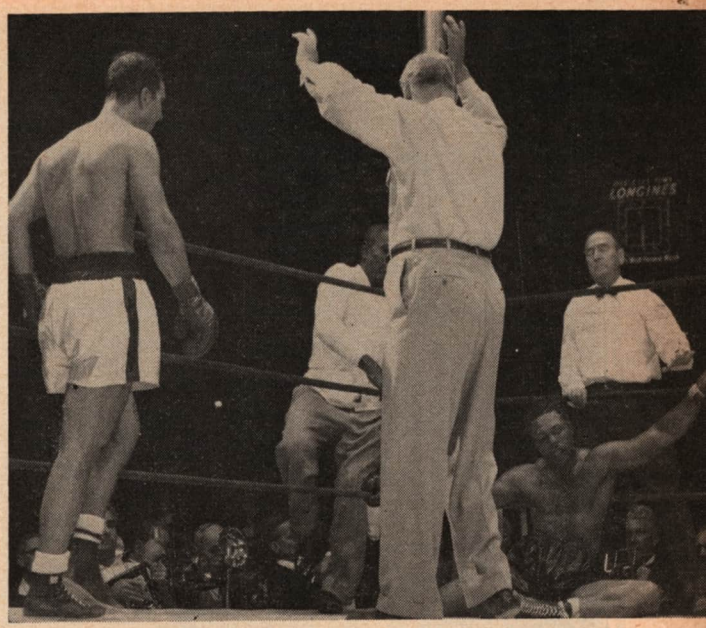
But he retained his throne, still undefeated since he started his professional career—a clouter extraordinary who takes his place in ring history with the great hitters of all time—James J. Jeffries, Bob Fitzsimmons, Jack Dempsey and Joe Louis. He came through triumphantly on his punching power and stamina despite his crudeness.

At 188¼ pounds he seemed to be fit as a fiddle, a weight that suited him. His opponent scaled a quarter of a pound less, and the weight made him somewhat sluggish. He would have had more speed with a few pounds less.

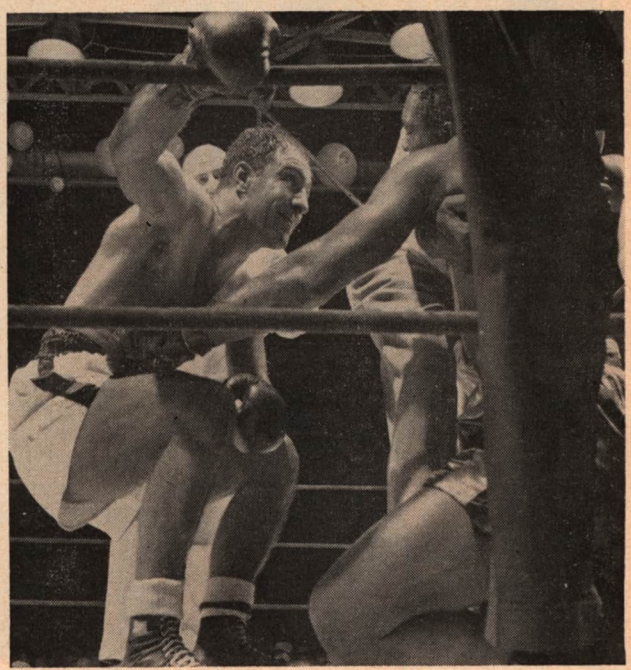
The fight took its place with championship postponements in three of which Marciano figured. The Walcott-Marciano and Charles-Marciano each were postponed twice and now the Moore fight, which, due to the possibility of Hurricane Ione striking New York, was delayed a day.

The affair continued the jinx that hangs over the head of all light heavyweight champions who have attempted to wrest the crown from the heavyweight kings. No one thus far has succeeded to turn the trick.

Two all-time greats among the heavyweights, Jack Johnson and Jack Dempsey, lost their title in their sixth title defense, but Marciano overcame that hurdle by successfully coming through against Moore.

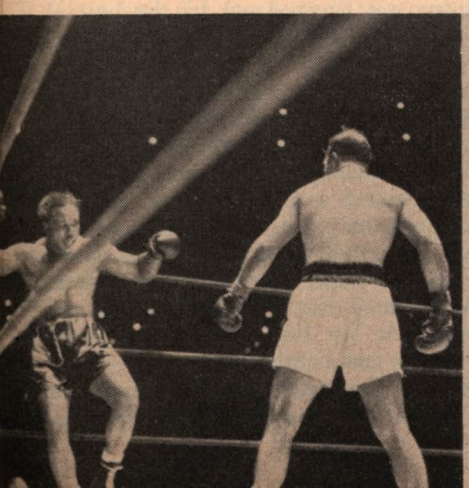


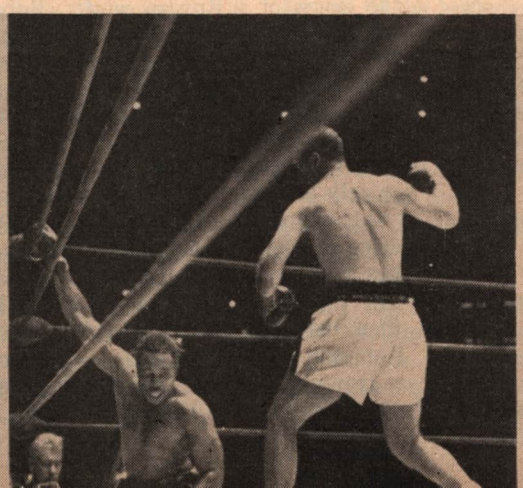
An utterly exhausted Moore, unable to rise, is counted out by Referee Harry Kessler at 1:19 of the ninth, as the defeated challenger's handlers hop into ring.

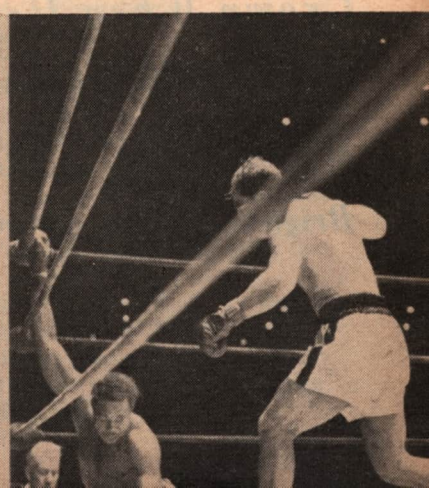


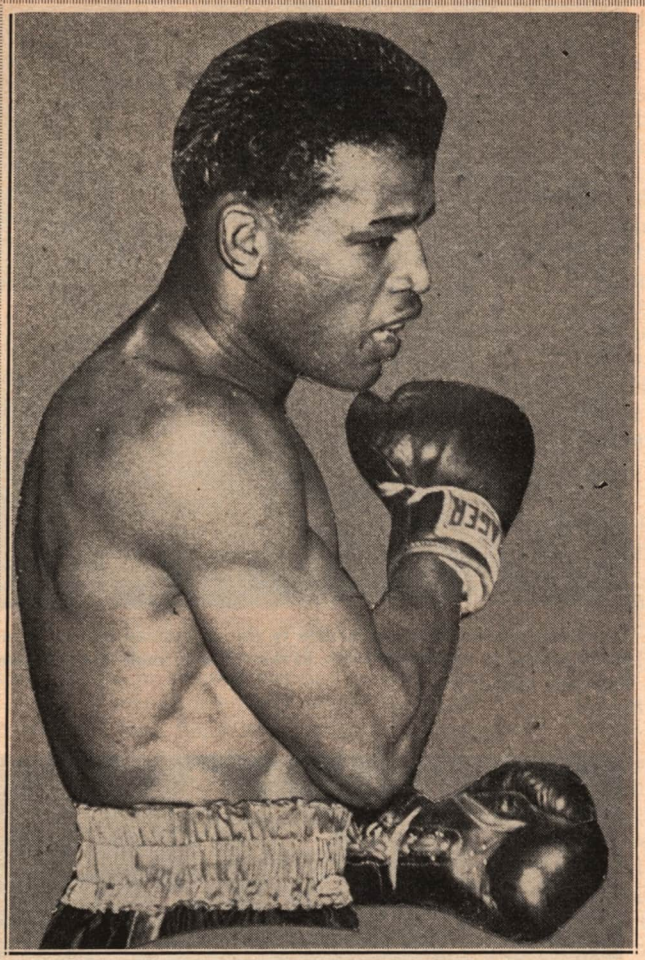
"Hi, ya, pal!" Rushing over to Moore as count is completed, Rocky grins as he learns Archie is not seriously hurt.

The final act, in round 9, Marciano presses tiring Moore, sends him reeling into the ropes, and Archie collapses in his own corner.









Sugar Ray Robinson looks toward winning the world middleweight title for the third time, against a man he has twice defeated, Bobo Olson. But time has taken its physical toll of Robby and defeat stares him in the face.

Can He Make It?

By AL BUCK

Ray Robinson's Chances to Regain World Middleweight Crown When He Faces Bobo Olson Don't Look Too Bright.

A YEAR ago Sugar Ray Robinson returned from Elba, and now his campaign to drive Carl (Bobo) Olson, a usurper, from the middleweight throne is approaching a climax.

Chicago has been chosen as the battle ground, and may well prove another Waterloo. Olson is a legitimate champion, tested in combat, and crowned in the ring after Robinson went into voluntary exile. Every boxing fan knows "they never come back."

Of course there can be an exception, and ring history shows that twice before Emperor Ray defeated King Bobo. Even at 35, Robinson must be taken seriously. He has had two successful careers, one as welterweight champion and the other as the middleweight titleholder. When he retired in 1952, there was no middleweight to challenge his supremacy.

It was when Sugar Ray invaded the light-heavyweight ranks that he met defeat, and then like Napoleon at Moscow, it was the weather, rather than superior artillery that crushed him. The Emperor's Grand Army perished in the snows of a Russian winter. Robinson was knocked out by the heat of a New York summer when he aspired to win the light-heavyweight title from Joey Maxim.

Olson, as middleweight champion, made the same mistake as Robinson when he invaded the light-heavyweight ranks. An experienced Archie Moore, defending the 175-pound title, knocked out Olson and forced him into long retreat. Now Bobo faces the grim task of defending his own domain against an exile who has returned to claim what he regards as his own.

Marching towards his lost lands, Robinson met with a temporary setback when he was defeated by Ralph (Tiger) Jones and Olson was able to ignore his challenge and concentrate on Moore. But Sugar Ray fought on, and in San Francisco, Bobo's home town, he defeated Rocky Castellani who was then the leading middleweight contender. At last Ray's goal was in sight. Robinson was a threat Olson could no longer take lightly.

It might have been different had not Sugar Ray defended the middleweight championship in 1952 against Olson. The result was a victory for Robinson,

his second over the current middleweight king. When they fought the first time in Philadelphia back in 1950 Robinson had scored a knockout in the 12th round. Then he was welterweight champion, and Bobo was little more than a novice.

The record stands, but the issue has yet to be settled. What are the circumstances?

Robinson is still a highly skilled performer, but his legs, once his greatest asset, have slowed with the years. Olson, outstanding in victories over Randy Turpin, Kid Gavilan, Castellani and Pierre Langlois, has had his confidence shaken by Moore's crushing blows.

Bobo won his last start from Joey Giambra, a soldier, but it was close. Giambra's performance qualified him as a future challenger, and Olson lost prestige, at least for the moment. It left a doubt in the public's mind on the present middleweight champion's ability to defeat his predecessor. Olson is only 27 years old, but time may be running out for him.

The fight is scheduled for 15 rounds, the familiar championship distance. The weight is 160 pounds, the middleweight limit. Bobo may have difficulty making the weight. In fact the contention has been he is superior when scaling 165 or better. In the Castellani fight, Sugar Ray demonstrated he could make the weight easily and be strong.

Another thing that makes the fight attractive is their contrasting styles. Robinson is an all-around fighter, a boxer who can also punch. His foot work used to be beautiful to watch, for in his prime he was considered the most coordinated fighting machine to grace a ring since the days of Benny Leonard.

Olson is a plodder. He is shifty and a solid hitter. Usually he concentrates his attack on the body. Bobo wears an opponent down before moving in for the kill. He doesn't think as fast as Sugar Ray and he hasn't the latter's ability to adjust his style to that of an opponent.

Going back to their first fight, Bobo came all the way from his native Hawaii to keep his date with the then invincible Robinson. He had been around, but the record shows he had been beaten twice by the late Dave Sands, first in Australia and later in Chicago. He was in over his head and seemed to know it.

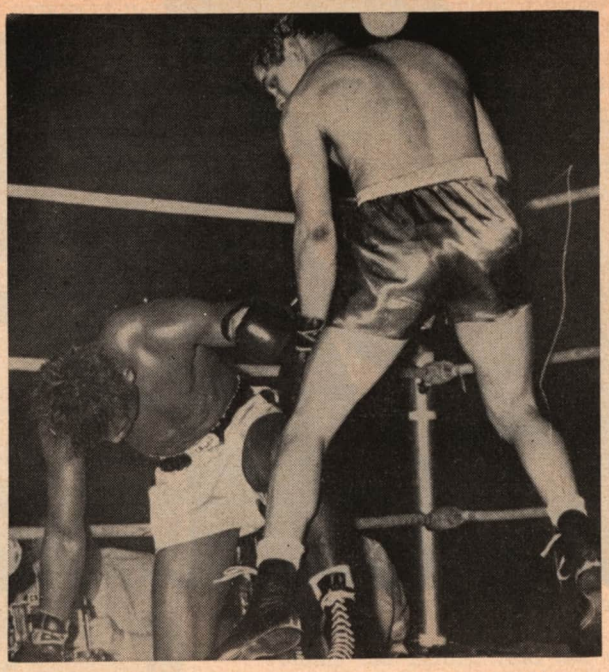
The Pennsylvania Boxing Commission ruled the fight was for the middleweight title, which it wasn't, and for the most part Bobo stayed on the defensive. Robinson took his time and in the 12th decided that things had gone far enough. A lightning like right to the jaw dropped Olson for the full count.

Robinson's last defense of the middleweight crown prior to his meeting with Maxim, was against Olson in San Francisco. This time he met a different Olson, and had to go all out to win a decision in 15 rounds. It wasn't until he was stopped in 14 rounds by Maxim—Ray collapsed from the heat—that Robinson decided to retire with the middleweight title.

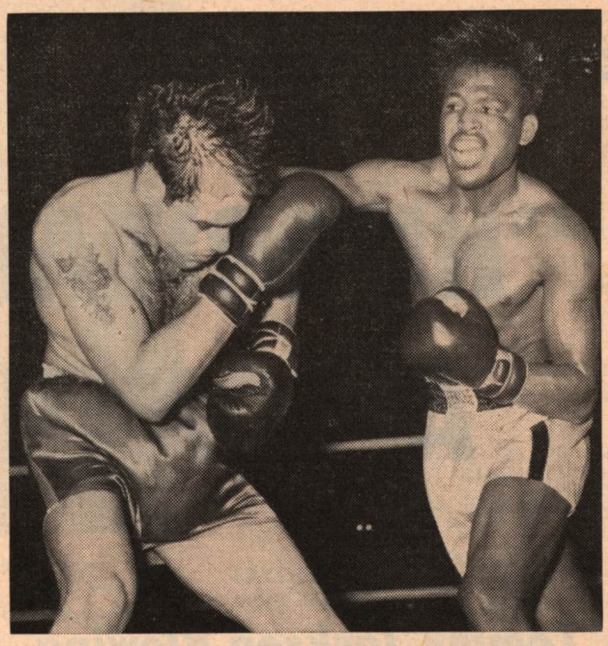
Olson won the tournament to crown a new champion, defeating Randy Turpin in the final. For two years he was undefeated and then, like Robinson, he invaded the light-heavyweight class. Moore knocked him out in three rounds. Now he returns to the middleweight class to meet his old rival, Sugar Ray.

When he retired Robinson was considered a wealthy man. His business ventures included a bar and grill in Harlem, a dry cleaning establishment, and extensive real estate holdings. Not content with this, Robinson launched a new career. He became a song and dance man and for a while had no difficulty getting bookings in the leading night clubs.

Eventually the novelty wore off and Robinson found himself pinched for ready cash. He still has extensive property, but there was always taxes to pay, and pay rolls



Olson (right) and Robinson have met twice before, Robby stopping him in the first fight and surging to a rally in the second to score a close win. But Olson had him down. Can he do it again, and keep him there this time?



Olson (left) is a methodical plodder who wins his fights unspectacularly. Robinson (right) had flash and speed. In their last fight there was little to choose between them. But now the tide has turned, in Olson's favor.

to meet. Robinson turned to his old trade and during the past year has been fighting his way back to the top.

It is natural to compare Robinson and Leonard. The latter was without a challenger in the lightweight class when he decided to retire undefeated. He did a turn in vaudeville, and he also owned large chunks of real estate. At one time he was general manager of a hockey team that represented Pittsburgh.

Suddenly, like Robinson today, Leonard found he needed cash. Like Robinson, he knew only one way to make it. Benny came back. The ill-fated venture ended when Jimmy McLarnin knocked him out in six rounds at the Garden.

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Tommy Jackson (right) sent out the storm warnings when he disposed of Archie McBride, Rex Layne and Clarence Henry and then caused damage with the hurricane force with which he battered Dan Bucceroni early in 1954.

Storm Warnings!

"HURRICANE" A-COMIN'!

Tommy Jackson Blowing Way to Title

By NAT LOUBET

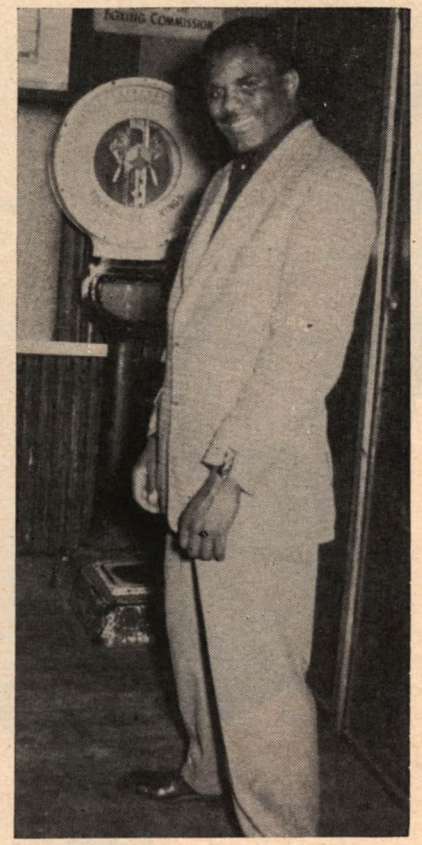
Hurricane Tommy Jackson, the unbelievable heavyweight who has blown hot and cold and is now on course, set to hit at the heavyweight champion next Spring.

THEY call him "Hurricane", and the name suits Tommy Jackson well. Like the tornadic winds that sweep up from the equitorial regions, gaining momentum with each gust, this Far Rockaway, New York, heavyweight, who may gain the distinction of being classed the "Sensation of the Year", has swept TV fight fans off their feet as he has bewildered his rivals, to reach a high spot among contenders for the title.

They laughed when he made his first appearance in the ring. They called him a freak and predicted a speedy exit for this unorthodox fighter who has borrowed various styles from different pugilists and tosses punches from almost every angle.

When he lost to Jimmy Slade, and was stopped by Nino Valdes in the Garden last year, Hurricane's chances for fistic recognition looked slim. But things have changed. He started the new year with a three round kayo of Leo Johnson and since then has rolled up a total of three knockouts and four victories by decisions, two over Ezzard Charles and one each over Slade and Archie McBride. He has reached third position among world contenders. How far he will go from here is up to "Tireless Tommy".

Is he a freak or does he possess real fighting ability? That's the query fired at experts by those who have followed the rise of Jackson. With only three losses and one draw out of twenty-eight bouts in which he has faced a number of top ranked heavies, he has come up from the novice class to an international figure. The tireless Far Rockaway Negro whose whirlwind ring activity has made him so popular with television fans, like Battling Siki who packed 'em in every time he fought, looms as an outstanding attraction for the International Boxing Club's fall and winter season. He possesses the crowd appeal and that's what the I.B.C. has been after for a long time. Right now he seems to be the answer to the promoter's prayer—a powerful gate attraction.



Tommy Jackson, with his behavior in and out of the ring, colorful and unusual at all times, is a tremendously popular fighter.

MAY HIT JACKPOT, AND MAY PROVE BUST

Fight enthusiasts throughout the country are talking about Jackson, the self-made fighter. He fits nicely into the heavyweight picture and with more experience may hit the jackpot. Tommy tosses punches at a clip reminiscent of the days of Henry Armstrong; sops up punishment; has speed and energy to burn and despite his eccentricities, he is in good physical condition every time he enters the ring. He possesses a unique double uppercut which he and his handlers call the "scoop" punch. To deliver it, he brings up both arms simultaneously. Several times he worked it on Ezzard Charles with such effectiveness he rocked the former heavyweight king and in his bout with Rex Layne and Clarence Henry, each of whom he stopped, he used the "scoop" to the enjoyment of the ringsiders.

He may wind up as only a good club fighter but so excellent a conditioner as Whitey Bimstein, who has seconded some of the world's best battlers, thinks that if Tommy settles down, forgets some of his daffy capers and pays strict attention to business, he'll end up with a pile of dough.

While Jackson lacks finishing power, the manner in which he tosses punches, the speed with which his hands and feet move and his stamina are assets that make him a threat against the best. How long can he keep catching punches? What will happen when he faces an opponent who can meet his style effectively and can clout?

We'll have to wait and see. He's a tough guy to lick because he fights like a swarm of gnats and can drive his opponent mad with his antics. It is doubtful if more than one or two heavyweights would have a chance with him.

He does everything wrong yet like the hurricanes that have played havoc with homes and people of our country, he has upset the heavyweight division by smothering opponent after opponent.

He's a big Armstrong, a 1955 Siki, a new Harry Greb, a spectacular scrapper who at the age of 22 has become the talk of the boxing world.

NEITHER READS NOR WRITES, BUT CAN FIGHT

Though he may know nothing about politics, Jackson is following the footsteps of Harry Truman by "giving 'em hell", a policy he has pursued thus far in every contest since he lost to Vades a year ago last July.

Tommy held down two jobs before he decided on a boxing career—working on a soda truck for a month and pushing a wheelbarrow for a week. Now he's pushing top ranked heavyweights out of the picture.

Tommy can neither read nor write but he is sure to learn how to count now that the dough is coming into his hands.

This hurly burly battler may be no boost for the New York educational system. But he is the most interesting member of an old genus of fighters, the crowd pleaser.

No fight in which Hurricane takes part possibly can be uninteresting, or stodgy or orthodox, or simple.

His antics, his acrobatic and unpredictable style, his rallies and counter rallies and ability to take it make him a singular attraction. In recent fights he has developed a suprisingly effective left jab.

Perhaps Jackson lacks imagination. Maybe he could have trouble passing a juvenile's IQ test.

But he is pepping up the heavyweight class behind the two top figures, and that means he is pepping up all boxing.

SAYS HE'LL TEAR ROCK APART

The guitar playing pug, first named "The Animal" by this publication for the ferocity and sheer perseverance with which he stalks his opponents has a pleasing pastime when not in the ring . . . he looks at girls, but in his own words: "Girls is wonderful, I enjoy looking at girls but ah always thing of boxing when ah looks at girls . . . ah walk and dream and think about fighting while I walk."

Freddy Brown, his trainer, was asked about Jackson's chances with Rocky and before he could answer the Far Rockaway "Hurricane" jumped into the conversation: "I'll tear that Marciano apart", he said. "I'll cut and chop him apart if someone else doesn't beat me to him."

Should they ever meet it will be a grudge fight caused by an incident that occurred when Marciano was training for his second fight with Walcott. Jackson was his sparring partner for about a week, when, so the story goes, the champ and Jackson agreed to disagree and Jackson left the camp to lick the wounds to his pride.

Lou Radzienda, N.B.A. President, Opposes Drastic Measure adopted by Convention colleagues

By NAT FLEISCHER

Federal Control For Boxing?

Shall boxing go under Federal control?

This age-old query has come to the front again following the resolution passed by the National Boxing Association delegates at their annual convention in Detroit, calling for a U. S. investigation of the sport.

Shall the U. S. Government regulate boxing through the medium of a National Commissioner to be appointed by the President?

It's a question that has been argued pro and con in recent weeks as a result of the critical report turned in by George A. Barton, who headed an N. B. A. Committee to investigate charges that boxing in our country is in the hands of mobsters. In view of the interest, commissioners have been contacted by "The Ring" for their view and unanimously they have tossed cold water on the proposition.

Why? The answer is simple. Such a move would do away with State Commissions' powers, would make such bodies subservient to national politicians and in the opinion of those with whom the matter has been thoroughly aired, would bring about a more chaotic state in boxing than is now the case.

The Ring is in agreement on these points. Something can be gained by a national investigation but not by Federal control.

What is more important, is that no such control could be taken over by the Federal Government until such times as the States would be willing to give up their rights to the government. States' rights are involved and until through legislative action, the various States where boxing is legalized would vote to accept U. S. control instead of State control, no National Commissioner or Commission could supercede the present authorized legal bodies that regulate boxing in our country. No state where boxing flourishes, would be willing to give up any of its sovereign rights. States' rights has been a cry of politicians for 150 years.

Thus far, in all discussions I've heard, nothing has convinced me that boxing requires the services of a Federal Commission. The sport can stand a Federal investigation that could bring out through Senatorial powers the names and activities of those responsible for the present plight of boxing, but there is nothing a Government controlled Boxing Commission can do to help the sport that cannot be accomplished through the whole-hearted cooperation of honest, fearless State Commissioners now in control.

Their powers are wide. They have a huge staff, the backing of their legislatures and the Governor, special investigators and the power to fine offenders, revoke licenses and to refuse to license objectionable persons.

What more do they require than courage, fearlessness and the cooperation of sister states in weeding out the 'undesirables?

FANS FAVOR FEDS

Despite the realization that due to the adverse criticism boxing has received in recent months and the unanimous vote of the National Boxing Association delegates for a Federal investigation, were a national poll of boxing enthusiasts taken, it would show an overwhelming majority in favor of Federal Control, in our opinion, such control is unnecessary and would ultimately result in the abolition of the sport as a national entertainment.

The control rests in the proper hands now. All that is necessary is firmer cooperation among State Commissions, sterner action by those who regulate the sport and an honest effort on the part of the big time promoters to handle their part of the game with decorum.

The Ring is heartily in favor of the investigation asked by the N. B. A.

If made by a Senatorial Commission, it should result in bringing to light the undercover figures whose behind-the-scenes handiwork is responsible for the difficulties confronting boxing.

When the representatives of forty-six states, Central America, U. S. territories and Canada vote unanimously for such an investigation, there must be something rotten in the business that requires a cleansing.

But we can see no gain in a Federal Commission. When, as has often been stated here, commissions with legislative powers and the support of the courts feel they no longer can control the sport for which they were appointed as overseers, they should resign in favor of others who are more capable and competent. When they ask for Federal Control, they automatically show their weakness and inability to do the job.

Investigation by the Federal Government as an aid to the Commissions—yes.

Federal control of boxing through a National Federal Commission or Commissioner—No.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH BOXING?

George Barton, Chairman of the Minneapolis Commission and a nationally famous sports editor, heads the N. B. A. Committee that presented the resolution at the annual meeting in Detroit for a Federal investigation and the resolution was drawn up by Albert Klein of the Pennsylvania Commission, a former legal advisor and chief investigator of the Kefauver Crime Commission.

Barton in his report that led to the call on the Government for help, said:

"Boxing is in the hands of undesirables, under-cover managers who have control or have an interest in at least four world champions in addition to many top men in boxing. That's what's wrong with boxing."

Then Barton named the champions and several of the racketeers and continued:

"There are a few hoodlums who control the sport. They dictate to the promoters, and even cut in on the ownership of boxers and fight clubs. They are the ones who have given boxing a bad name and must be ousted if we are to continue to have boxing.

"Since the N. B. A. and the various commissions comprising this organization haven't the means and the money required to put through an investigation that will enable us to get to the bottom of the evil through our commissions, it is up to the National Boxing Association to seek the aid of the U. S. Government in combating the evil."

Barton's plea sounded off the keynote. It was well received by the delegates and when Commissioner Klein's resolution calling for Government action came up for discussion and vote, not a dissenting voice was heard. This apparently because of the difficulty the various State Athletic Commissions encountered in ousting undesirables.

However, though the resolution was unanimously passed, the newly elected president, Lou Radzienda of Illinois, dampened the fighting spirit of the crusading delegates with a speech opposing the drastic measures adopted by the N. B. A.

He declared in favor of handling

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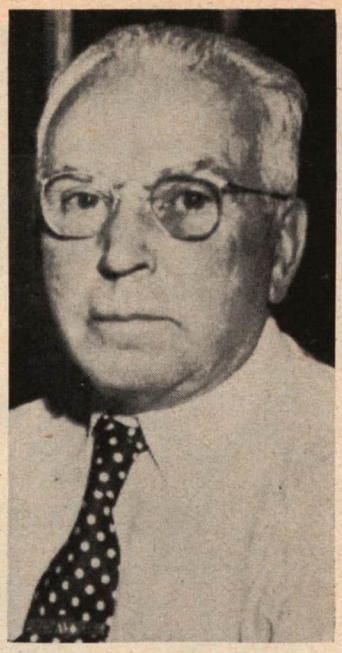
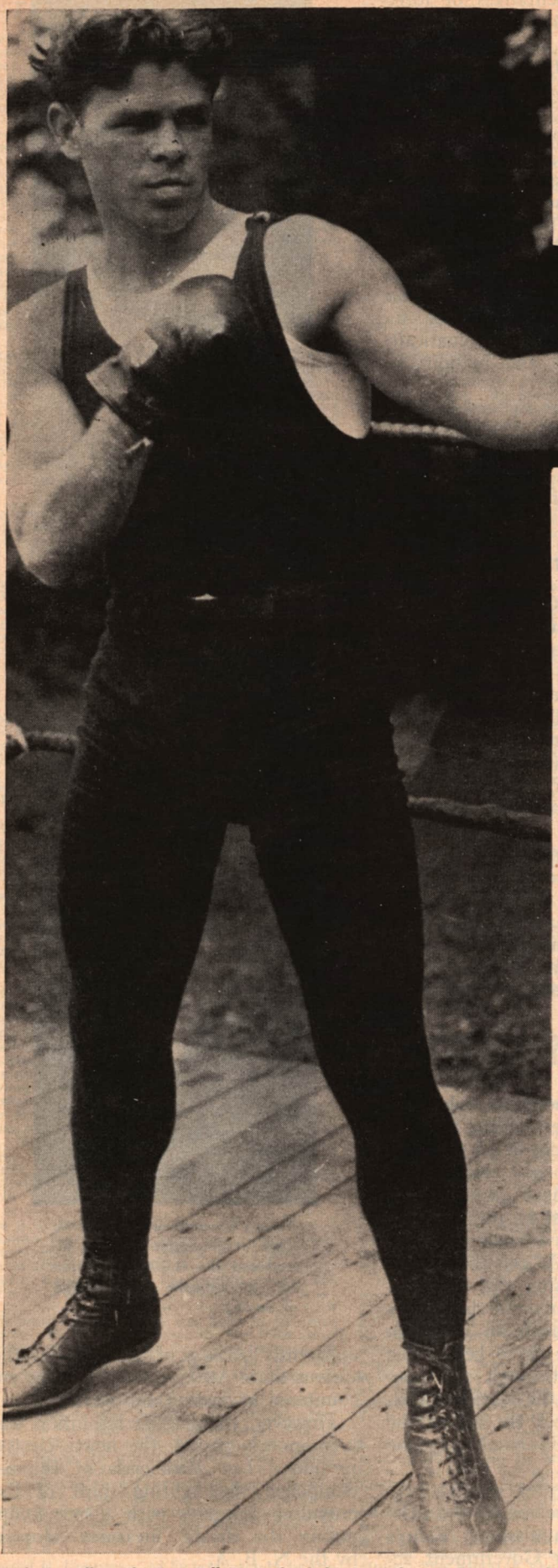


George Barton, Minnesota Commissioner, whose report on gangsterism stirred delegates into action.

Boxing Commissioner Alfred M. Klein of Pennsylvania, who introduced the N.B.A. Resolution for government investigation of boxing.

HALL OF FAME

By DANIEL M. DANIEL



Mickey Walker, the Toy Bull Dog who held the welterweight and middleweight titles, received most votes, 105 out of a possible 113, to be elected to the Boxing Hall of Fame.

BOXING HALL OF FAME

Elected by Writers and Broadcasters

Jack Dempsey
Henry Armstrong
* Harry Greb
Joe Louis
* Mickey Walker
* Gene Tunney
* Benny Leonard

Named by the Old Timers' Committee

Stanley Ketchel
Jack Johnson
James J. Corbett
* Terry McGovern
* Abe Attell
Joe Gans
Bob Fitzsimmons
James J. Jeffries
* Sam Langford
* Joe Walcott

Named by the Directors

James Figg
Jack Broughton
Tom Cribb
Jem Mace
Young Griffo
John Morrissey
John L. Sullivan
Jack McAuliffe
Tom Hyer
Daniel Mendoza
Tom Sayers
Gentleman John Jackson
Arthur Chambers
John C. Heenan
Nonpareil Jack Dempsey
* William Richmond
* *William Thompson (Bendigo)*

* *1955 Designations*

WALKER, GREB, TUNNEY, LEONARD IN HALL OF FAME

Gene Tunney, the Fighting Marine and twice victor over Jack Dempsey in bouts for the world heavyweight title, garnered ample votes in the second annual poll to take his place among the all time greats of the ring.

FORMAL dedication of the Boxing Hall of Fame, in the headquarters of The Ring Magazine in the Madison Square Garden Building, New York, presents an impressive array of 34 fistic immortals.

There now are 17 "ancients" of the London Prize Ring, bare knuckle decades, 10 boxers picked by the Old Timers' Committee, and 7 elected by the rank and file of sports writers and broadcasters.

The second annual elections resulted in the addition of 10 boxers to the fistic Pantheon, which presents a most interesting display in a location which is visited annually by so many thousands of ring fans.

The writers and broadcasters, 113 of them, elected Mickey Walker, Harry Greb, Gene Tunney and Benny Leonard.

The Old Timers' Committee of 20 chose Sam Langford, Terry McGovern, Joe Walcott and Abe Attell.

The Board of Directors of the Hall of Fame added William Thompson, who was known as Bendigo, and Bill Richmond, the first American heavyweight of note, the first to compete in England.

Walker, who was welter and middleweight champion, got 105 of the 113 votes cast by the writers and radio men. Needed for election, 75 percent of the total vote cast, were 85.

Greb, once middleweight champion, got 100 votes, while former heavyweight king Tunney, who dethroned Jack Dempsey, landed 99, and lightweight Leonard polled 96.

The list of those who failed to make the 85 vote level is rather surprising. Tony Canzoneri, who finished fifth in the poll, got 78 while Barney Ross missed with 74. Tommy Loughran, a great fighter, got only 65, Jimmy Wilde, 62, Marcel Cerdan, 31, and Tony Zale and Johnny Dundee 30 each.

Despite the fact that all the voters had been warned that to be eligible, a boxer had to be in retirement for at least two years, the electorate wasted votes on Ray Robinson, Ike Williams and Willie Pep. All three still are in the ring, Robinson, in particular, being quite busy.

The Committee of 20 Veterans gave 14 votes to Langford, 13 to McGovern, 12 to Walcott and 12 to Attell.

Much to the surprise of the directors, George Dixon and Battling Nelson still could not muster a 75 percent showing. Little Chocolate got 11 and so did the Battler.

The directors picked Bendigo and Richmond as the most elegible of the ancients, after James Figg, Jack Broughton, Daniel Mendoza, Tom Cribb, Gentleman John Jackson, Tom Sayers, Jem Mace, Arthur Chambers, Young Griffo, Tom Hyer, John Morrissey, John C. Heenan, Nonpareil Jack Dempsey, John L. Sullivan and Jack McAuliffe, named in 1954.

Last year, the Old Timers picked Stanley Ketchel, Bob Fitzsimmons, Joe Gans, Jack Johnson, Jim Corbett and Jim Jeffries.

The writers and broadcasters elected Jack Dempsey, Joe Louis and Henry Armstrong. Amazingly, no other modern fighter could muster three quarters of the vote.

The regulations of the Hall of Fame give to the Modern Group, the writers and broadcasters, the right to pick any fighter who has been active within the last 35 years, with the proviso that boxers now in competition were ineligible.

The Old Timers' Committee of 20 has the privilege of voting for fighters who competed before 1920, back to the bare knuckle days.

The directors of the Hall of Fame are privileged to vote for the real ancients, who did so much to make boxing the tremendous sport it is today, all over the world.

The voters are asked not to be haphazard. They are warned to pay attention to personal records, to standing in the esteem of the fight fans. They are made aware of the fact that the Hall of Fame is for the boxers of the world, and not merely for the heroes of the United States.

As a consequence, the selections are representative and thoroughly worth while. They do honor to all classifications, to men who stand out above the merely good level.

The Hall of Fame is in no haste to load up with members. In time, every man who should be in the fistic Pantheon will have been chosen. But to rush pell-mell into wholesale elections would not be wise. Therefore, the proviso that a candidate must get at least 75 percent of the total vote cast.

The Hall of Fame was devised by Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of The Ring Magazine, who felt that boxing, no less than baseball, football, and other sports, deserved its Pantheon.

Fleischer hunted for a suitable home for the Hall of Fame, and for a time it appeared likely that the International Boxing Club would house the museum in Madison Square Garden.

However, The Ring Magazine last year decided to offer suitable space in its own headquarters.

Each of the 34 boxers in the Hall of Fame is represented by a hand colored print or photograph. The frames are artistic, in fact the entire presentation is as pleasing to the eye as it is representative of the greatest talent the ring has boasted since the eighteenth century.

It is not the desire or the intention of the directors to keep the Hall of Fame in its present quarters. It may be that eventually it will go into the New York Coliseum, now being constructed at Columbus Circle in New York. The Museum of the City of New York also is a possibility.

In the meantime, the Hall of Fame is presented in the Madison Square Garden Building, in association with the vast boxing museum and old watch collection maintained

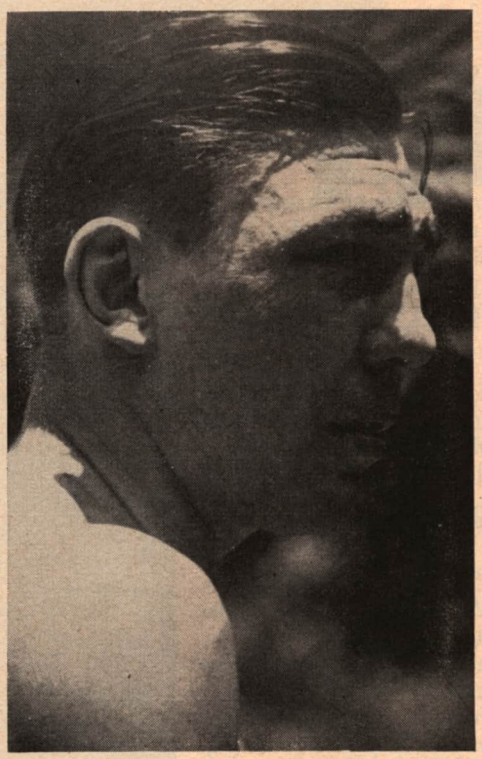
by editor and publisher Fleischer.

Votes cast by Boxing Writers, Sports Columnists, Radio and TV Commentators, world wide. Total votes cast 113. Seventy-five percent of these votes, amounting to 85 votes, were necessary to elect. Here are the votes cast:

Names	1955	1954
*Mickey Walker	105	57
*Harry Greb	100	55
*Gene Tunney	99	58
*Benny Leonard	96	63
*Elected		
Tony Canzoneri	78	34
Barney Ross	74	29
Tommy Loughran	65	18
Jimmy McLarnin	62	26
Jimmy Wilde	34	17
Marcel Cerdan	31	8
Tony Zale	30	8
Johnny Dundee	30	7
Kid Chocolate	26	6
Jack Britton	22	3
Jimmy Braddock	18	1
Georges Carpentier	18	9
Billy Petrolle	17	3
Lew Tendler	14	5
Pancho Villa	10	8
Ted Kid Lewis	10	5
Mike Gibbons	8	2
Tiger Flowers	7	3
Maxie Rosenbloom	7	2
Max Schmeling	7	2
Harry Wills	3	1
Jersey Joe Walcott	5	0
John Henry Lewis	4	1
Gus Lesnevich	4	2
Fidel LaBarba	4	3
Max Baer	3	0
Benny Lynch	3	5
Jack Delaney	7	2
Tom Gibbons	6	2
Lou Ambers	7	3
Billy Conn	5	1
Marcel Thil	2	1
Peter Kane	2	2

Boxers who are still active and received votes—Ike Williams, 4; Ray Robinson, 3; Willie Pep, 3.

Among others named were—Luis Angel Firpo, 3 votes; Rocky Graziano, 2; Jack Sharkey, 2; Paul Berlenbach, 2; Dave Sands, 2; Pete Herman, 2; Leo Houck, 1; Jake La Motta, 1; Freddy Mills, 1.



Harry Greb, the Pittsburgh Windmill and once holder of the world middleweight crown, received an even one hundred votes to gain admittance to the Hall of Fame.

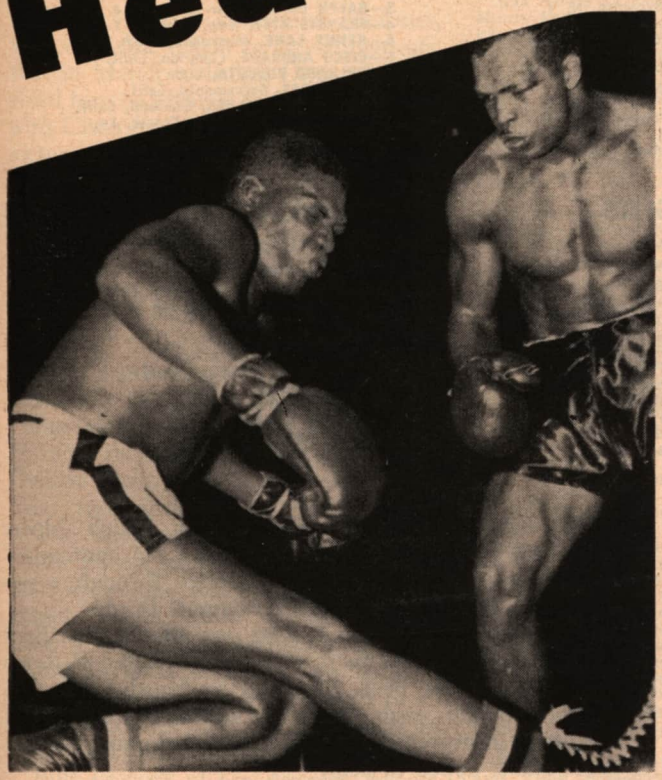
Benny Leonard, the marvelous world lightweight champion of several decades ago, narrowly missed out on being elected last year but made it to the Hall of Fame with much to spare this time.

TOTAL VOTES CAST BY OLD-TIMERS COMMITTEE

	1955	1954
*Sam Langford	14	6
*Joe Walcott	12	9
George Dixon	11	8
Jim Driscoll	10	6
Tommy Ryan	6	0
Owen Moran	4	1
Phila. Jack O'Brien	4	1
Joe Bowker	2	2
Johnny Kilbane	2	1
George Kid Lavigne	2	0
Joe Choynski	2	1
Tommy Burns	1	1
Joe Rivers	1	0
Jack Blackburn	1	0
*Terry McGovern	13	7
*Abe Attell	12	8
Battling Nelson	11	4
Les Darcy	7	2
Tom Sharkey	5	1
Jack Dillon	4	3
Freddie Welsh	3	2
Jack Root	2	0
Dixie Kid	2	1
Frankie Neil	2	1
Kid McCoy	1	0
Mike Gibbons	1	0
Packy McFarland	1	0
Joe Mandot	1	0

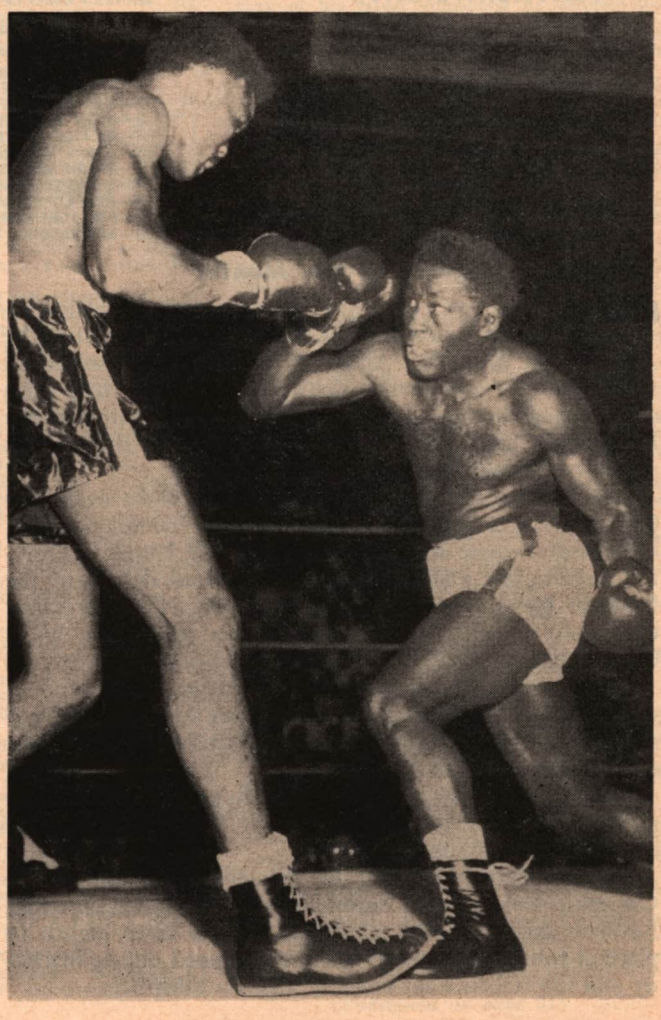
*Elected

Heavies in Action



Bob (Scatterfield) Satterfield, hard punching but erratic light heavyweight, scored an important upset when he defeated highly rated heavyweight Nino Valdes at Chicago, dropping him in the tenth round to clinch the decision.

(Above) Rex Layne of Lewiston, Utah, connects with a hard right to head of No. 2 ranking heavyweight Bob Baker during their ten round bout at West Jordan, Utah, which Baker won on a split decision.

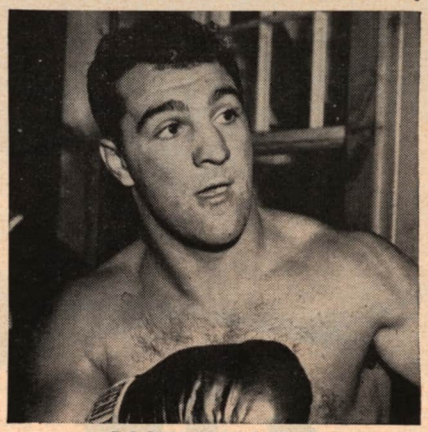


Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson (Left) sees it coming as Ezzard Charles readies to toss a haymaker from the floor during their battle in Cleveland. A return battle, Jackson also won this ten rounder.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

FOR MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 20, 1955



ROCKY MARCIANO

HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion

ROCKY MARCIANO, Brockton, Mass.
1—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
2—**BOB BAKER,** Pittsburgh, Pa.
3—**TOMMY JACKSON,** Far Rockaway, N. Y.
4—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
5—**EARL WALLS,** Canada
6—**EZZARD CHARLES,** Cincinnati, O.
7—**DON COCKELL,** England
8—**HEINZ NEUHAUS,** Germany
9—**FRANCO CAVICCHI,** Italy
10—**REX LAYNE,** Lewiston, Utah

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion

ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.
1—**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Brooklyn, N. Y.
2—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, B.W.I.
4—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
5—**BOB SATTERFIELD,** Chicago, Ill.
6—**GERHARD HECHT,** Germany
7—**JOEY MAXIM,** Cleveland, O.
8—**RANDY TURPIN,** England
9—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
10—**DAVE WHITLOCK,** San Francisco, Calif.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion

CARL (BOBO) OLSON, Honolulu, T. H.
1—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
2—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, N. Y.
3—**ROCKY CASTELLANI,** Cleveland, O.
4—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
5—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
6—**EDUARDO LAUSSE,** Argentina
7—**MILO SAVAGE,** Salt Lake City, Utah
8—**PVT. JOEY GIAMBRA,** Ft. Hood, Texas
9—**BOBBY DYKES,** Miami, Fla.
10—**GIL TURNER,** Philadelphia, Pa.

WELTERWEIGHTS

(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion

CARMEN BASILIO, Syracuse, N. Y.
1—**TONY DeMARCO,** Boston, Mass.
2—**RAMON FUENTES,** Los Angeles, Calif.
3—**JOHNNY SAXTON,** Brooklyn, N. Y.
4—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
5—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
6—**DEL FLANAGAN,** St. Paul, Minn.
7—**MAURICE HARPER,** Oakland, Calif.
8—**HECTOR CONSTANCE,** Trinidad, B.W.I.
9—**CHICO VEJAR,** Stamford, Conn.
10—**OSCAR PITA,** Argentina

LIGHTWEIGHTS

(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion

WALLACE (BUD) SMITH, Cincinnati, O.
1—**JAMES CARTER,** New York, N. Y.
2—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
3—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
4—**FRANKIE RYFF,** New York, N. Y.
5—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
6—**CISCO ANDRADE,** Compton, Calif.
7—**ORLANDO ZULUETA,** Cuba
8—**JOE LOPES,** Sacramento, Calif.
9—**JOHNNY GONSALVES,** Oakland, Calif.
10—**ARTHUR PERSLEY,** Red Crosse, La.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion

SANDY SADDLER, New York, N. Y.
1—**CIRO MORASEN,** Cuba
2—**RAY FAMECHON,** France
3—**TEDDY DAVIS,** Hartford, Conn.
4—**CARMELO COSTA,** Brooklyn, N. Y.
5—**BILLY KELLY,** Ireland
6—**HOGAN (KID) BASSEY,** Nigeria
7—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
8—**FRED GALIANA,** Spain
9—**LAURO SALAS,** Los Angeles, Calif.
10—**LULU PEREZ,** Brooklyn, N. Y.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion

ROBERT COHEN, France
1—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
2—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
3—**BILLY PEACOCK,** Los Angeles, Calif.
4—**HILAIRE PRATESI,** France
5—**ANDRE VALIGNAT,** France
6—**RATON MACIAS,** Mexico
7—**CHAMRERN SONGKITRAT,** Thailand
8—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
9—**EMIL CHEMAMA,** France
10—**NAI SANONG,** Thailand

FLYWEIGHTS

(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion

PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina
1—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
2—**DAI DOWER,** Wales
3—**DANNY KID,** Philippines
4—**JAKE TULI,** South Africa
5—**NAZZARENO GIANELLI,** Italy
6—**OSCAR SUAREZ,** Cuba
7—**TANNY CAMPO,** Philippines
8—**HITOSHI MISAKO,** Japan
9—**MEMO DIEZ,** Mexico
10—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain

Who is the Fighter of the Month?

THERE can be only one—the winner of the Marciano-Moore world heavyweight championship contest at the Yankee Stadium. Although Jack Solomons staged an all-heavyweight card in the White City Stadium that drew a sell-out gathering, Jim Norris' promotion featuring the heavyweight and light heavyweight kings, held the greatest amount of international attention.

The surprise victory of Nino Valdes of Cuba over Don Cockell, British and Empire heavyweight champion whom he halted in three rounds in London, put Nino back into the heavyweight picture despite his previous defeats at the hands of Archie Moore and Bob Satterfield. Nino has leaped back into fourth position among the contenders while Cockell has dropped to seventh.

The bout had gone the full three rounds at the end of which Cockell's handlers asked the referee to halt it due to a severe cut. Nino had dropped the Britisher for an eight count mid-way in the third.

Archie Moore's loss to Marciano, dropped him from top ranking contender to third place with Baker upped to first and Tommy Jackson second.

Heinz Neuhaus' victory by disqualification of Franco Cavicchi, Italian and European champion, has brought Neuhaus back into the rated fold. He is listed eighth in place of John Holman who has been dropped due to inactivity and the Italian went down a peg to ninth place.

In the light heavyweight division over which Moore reigns, Floyd Patterson continues to head the contenders' list with Harold Johnson, though inactive through a suspension, next in line with Yolande Pompey, third.

Gerhard Hecht of Germany who was fourth, has been shifted to sixth post due to inactivity and Willie Pastrano of New Orleans has been advanced to fourth with Bob Satterfield, who can easily make the weight though he has been fighting heavyweights and has scaled around 180 for all those bouts, upped to fifth.

The middleweight sector finds Charley Humez of France who will resume boxing after a two months vacation, leading the challengers for Bobo Olson's title, although Ray Robinson has been given first crack at the crown. Ray rates next to Humez. Sugar Ray and Olson clash in a title bout next month.

Gene Fullmer of West Jordan, Utah, who lost only one of his seven bouts this year, that to Gil Turner whom he defeated in a return contest, has again advanced through his triumph over Al Andrews. He now is fourth, one below Rocky Castellani, while Holly Mims who lost to Milo Savage dropped down to fifth.

Eduardo Lausse of Argentina, who recently easily whipped Kid Gavilan in his return to action after a summer layoff advanced to sixth. A new face is Pvt. Joey Giambra of Ft. Hood, Texas, whose fine showing against Champion

Olson has enabled him to regain a ranking post, one he held before going into the Army. He is listed ninth. Gil Turner is in tenth place. Gil will continue to box as a middleweight unless he can gain a shot at Basilio in a title bout. Basilio the welter king, recently defeated Gil in an overweight match.

Tony DeMarco's knockout of Chico Vejar keeps the Bostonian, former welter king, as the top ranking contender. Vince Martinez of Paterson, N. J. has been upped to fourth, one place better than in the last month and Art Aragon of Los Angeles has been dropped to make room for Oscar Pita of Argentina who is rated tenth. Vejar dropped from seventh to ninth.

Duilio Loi of Italy, with an excellent record of eight victories in as many starts and holder of the Italian and European crowns, has advanced to second position in the lightweight class taking the place of Ralph Dupas of New Orleans who fought a draw with unrated Leonard Gaines of Oakland, Calif.

Kenny Lane's continued victories, with only one defeat in eleven contests, that in March to Ralph Dupas, has enabled him to advance to fifth from sixth, with Cisco Andrade of Compton, Calif., victor over Orlando Zulueta of Cuba, is sixth and Zulueta rates seventh. Andrade was ninth last month and the Cuban was fifth.

Johnny Gonsalves of Oakland, Calif. has dropped from seventh to ninth.

The featherweight class finds Ciro Morasen, Cuban champion the top ranking contender, replacing idle Ray Famechon of France. Morasen stopped Puppy Garcia before a record house in Havana then beat Lauro Salas. Fred Galiana Spain has changed places with Salas, from ninth to eighth place.

The draw which Willie Toweel of South Africa gained in his world title bout with champion Robert Cohen, has upped Toweel from second to first place among the contenders, replacing Mario D'Agata of Italy who is rated second. Toweel, though dropped twice for nine counts, held the champ to an even break, according to the judges.

Billy Peacock of Los Angeles, has advanced from fourth to third, exchanging posts with Hilaire Pratesi of France who is on the injured list.

Raton Macias, injured in his bout with Peacock who stopped him in three rounds last June, has dropped another peg, to sixth, giving way to Andre Valignat of France.

Chamrern Songkitrat, who did a swell job in his bout with Danny Kid of Manila whom he twice dropped, is back in the spotlight. He advanced from ninth to seventh, exchanging posts with Emile Chemama of France.

Though Danny Kid lost to Songkitrat, scaling 117 pounds, he has been upped in the flyweight class of which he is champion of the Orient. He has taken Jake Tuli's place in third position with Jake dropped to fourth due to inactivity.

Here are the leading results of the month:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Nino Valdes stopped Don Cockell, 3. Harold Carter defeated Wayne Bethea, 10. Ewart Potgieter stopped Simon Templer, 6. Eddie Machen kayoed Bill Davis, 1.

Max Chris kayoed Willi Palmer, 3. George Moore kayoed Bob Jackson, 4. Augie Turiano kayoed Harry Attley, 1. Walter Robinson kayoed Chuck Lewis, 2.

Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson repeated over Ezzard Charles, 10.

Bob Baker edged out Rex Layne, 10.

Yg. Jack Johnson defeated Willie Bean, 12.

Nino Valdes lost to light heavyweight Bob Satterfield, 10. European Champion Franco Cavicchi scored his 16th victory (14th by kayo) of the year by polishing off Willi Fanzlau, 4, then suffered his first defeat when disqualified against former champion Heinz Neuhaus, 9 (non-title).

Jimmy Bivins launched a comeback by halting Dan Moray, 3.

Jimmy Slade stopped Yvon Durelle, 7.

Harold Carter defeated Julio Mederos, 10. Zora Folley kayoed Ted Calaman, 4. Ingemar Johansson kayoed Hein Ten Hoff, 1.

Bob Albright defeated Johnny Arthur, 10, and kayoed Clarence Williams, 2. Harley Breshears kayoed Glenn Bethke, 2, and Dave Roy, 4. Larry Watson kayoed Tony Smith, 2.

Howard King beat Roger Rischer, 6. Ken Hammer outfought Hans Friedrich, 10, kayoed Don Jasper, 5, and repeated over Friedrich, 10. Eddie Machen kayoed Frank Buford, 8.

Duke Sabedong edged out Kirby Seals, 10, and kayoed Sugar Hart, 6. Buddy Turman whipped Red Worley, 10. Neil Welch drew with George Parmentier, 10.

Ben Thomas outpointed Eddie Jones, 6. Cal Chambers kayoed Walter Robinson, 4. Howie Turner kayoed Rocky Hill, 4.

Don Jasper defeated Mickey Sennett, 8. Johnny Gray defeated Stan Mylinski, 6. Tony Gagliardo decisioned Johnny Orgen, 8. Ike Thomas defeated Johnny Yorck, 6.

Ike Phillips stopped Jimmy Walls, 7. Aldo Pellegrini disposed of Hannes Scherbaum, 3, Winnfried Henne, 3, and Ansel Adams, 5.

George Moore kayoed Harold Johnson, 1, and John Freeman, 2. Shirley Pembleton defeated Rico Hackney, 6.

Andy Bonds stopped Ben Wallace, 4. Mickey Carter kayoed Vince Donnelly, 3. Vince halted James Pace, 4.

Jack Nelson kayoed Jimmy Allen, 1. Joe Louis III and Sonny Ray drew, 6. Dave Roy kayoed Ruben Smith 2.

Warnell Lester stopped Roy Bullock, 3. Dave Mundy beat Eddie Lee Walker, 5. Sonny O'Marry halted Vern Jenkins, 2.

Mike DeJohn kayoed Gene Jackson, 5. Harold Williams kayoed Forest Bridges, 2, and beat John Mason, 6.

Uber Bacilieri disposed of Big Bill Jacobson, 5, and whipped Werner Wiegand, 10, but was beaten by Joe Erskine, 10. Giannini Luise polished off Michel Leorier, 6, Pierre Debrossard, 6, and Loreto Vari, 3.

Spanish Champion Jose Gonzales kayoed Louis Dominico, 3. Gunnar Nilsson outpunched Simon Ayankin, 6. Gene White defeated Joe Makoota, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Floyd Patterson kayoed Alvin Williams, 8.

Bob Satterfield upset heavyweight Nino Valdes, 10.

Gerhard Hecht outpointed Henry Hall, 10.

Jimmy Persey stopped Bo Willis, 2.

Benny Flake kayoed Dean Anderson, 1.

Tiger McHenry beat Charley Que, 6.

Jim Heggerty kayoed Rocky Volpe, 2.

George Kartalian bested Jack Sellin, 6.

Dogomar Martinez defeated Rinaldo Ansaloni, 10. Ted Calaman was stopped by heavyweight Zora Folley, 4.

Yvon Durelle was stopped by heavyweight Jimmy Slade, 7. Ino Rendon stopped Yova Kid, 5.

Joe Dorsey kayoed Frankie Daniels, 9.

Max Chris bested Henry Taylor, 6.

Terry Rindal kayoed Walter Veal, 2. Eddie Jones lost to Bennie Thomas, 6. Roy Harris stopped Dick Brown, 3.

Emile Vidal trounced Hannes Schwerzmann, 10. Lou Perry halted Bruce Damphier, 4.

Willard Henry outscored Joe Mack, 6. Ivano Fontana awarded disputed decision over Serge Barthelemy, 10.

Clarence Floyd bested Art Miller, 6. Luciano Raddi finished Widmer Milandri, 4.

John Carroll kayoed Louis Perego, 3. Donnie Fleeman kayoed Larry Johnson, 5. Frank McGarry defeated Henry Bronko, 5.

Harold Moore kayoed Jerry Nelson, 3. Harold Woodson defeated Gil de la Garza, 6. Sonny Ray drew with heavyweight Joe Louis III, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Neal Rivers kayoed Jesse Turner, 4. Garth Panter kayoed Danny Schott, 3. Jimmy Morris and Bobby Lane drew, 8.

Yama Bahama stopped Hector Peralta, 3. Jim Mattos beat Kid Roy, 6. Lee Williams whipped Ben Koolian, 6. Fesuluai Peapealalo defeated Martin Cambra, 5.

World Champion Carl (Bobo) Olson outpointed Jimmy Martinez, 10 (non-title), and won a close tenner from Joey Giambra (non-title).

Eduardo Lausse defeated Kid Gavilan, 12. Gavilan stopped Juan Bautista Burgues, 7.

Bobby Dykes kayoed Chebo Hernandez, 4.

Gene Fullmer defeated Al Andrews, 10.

Artie Towne whipped Les Allen, 10, then lost on a foul to Peter Muller, 9.

Gil Turner lost to welterweight champion Carmen Basilio, 10.

Milo Savage halted John Houston, 4. Bob Provizzi lost to welterweight Vince Martinez, 10.

Tiberio Mitri posted his 8th straight victory of his latest comeback by outpointing Hamouda Bouraoui, 10.

Pedro Antonio Jiminez halted Antonio Lopez, 8. Al Andrews whipped Jackie King, 10.

Tony Baldoni kayoed Hardy Smallwood, 4. Junius Washington outpointed Charlie Green, 10. Billy Hester beat Andy Watkins, 8.

Neal Rivers bested Jimmy King, 10. Charley Joseph stopped Jimmy Welch, 4. Paolo Melis outpointed Rinzi Nocero, 10.

Eddie Smith kayoed Leffie Walker, 2. Jimmy Palazzola stopped Curtis Coffield, 4. Peter Muller stopped Kid Dussart, 5.

Tony Pelino stopped Sonny Gill, 3. Ray Drake outscored Danny Giovanelli, 10. Jimmy Elliott decisioned Gaston Meuelebrouck, 10.

Olle Bengtsson outfought Alex Buxton, 8. George Boddie defeated Bobby Gordon, 8, and drew with Sherman Williams, 8.

Rory Calhoun kayoed Freddy Milton, 1. Tony (Tex) Gonzales drew with Billy Harper, 6.

Fesuluai Peapealalo outfought Chuck Cureton, 6. Dick Lane kayoed Richie Lopez, 3, and beat Eddie DiSosa, 6. Johnny Hayden outscored Bill Filippo, 6.

Carl Blair beat Al Carter, 6. Benny Deaton kayoed Tucco Valdez, 4. Joe Gray defeated Sam Piliarik, 6.

Jerry Fraser defeated Gord MacDougall, 6. Jerry Luedee beat Jimmy Williams, 6. Tommy Barron whipped John Penn, 8, Penn also lost to Pete Gill, 10.

Darrell Layton bested Hank Davis, 6. Lou Stanich kayoed Ben Sovello, 2.

Jay Lewis outfought Frank Quarles, 6. Distino Lois whipped Joe Savato, 6. Mike Campbell kayoed Mario Calandra, 3.

WELTERWEIGHTS

World Champion Carmen Basilio outfought middleweight Gil Turner, 10 (non-title).

Vince Martinez outpointed middleweight Bob Provizzi, 10.

Isaac Logart defeated Al Wilson, 10.

Joe Felan defeated George Carter, 10. Vincente Echevarria whipped Joe Murphy, 10.

Miguel Diaz stopped Tino Longoria, 2. Al Juergens whipped Alfonso Flores, 10.

Chris Christensen stopped Gene Poirier, 6. Maurice Harper kayoed Al Vidafarra, 7.

El Conscripto stopped Tomas Castillo, 6, but was kayoed by Ismael Espana, 7. Don Jordan defeated Joe Miceli, 10, and Woody Winslow, 10. Woody kayoed Ramon Tiscareno, 3.

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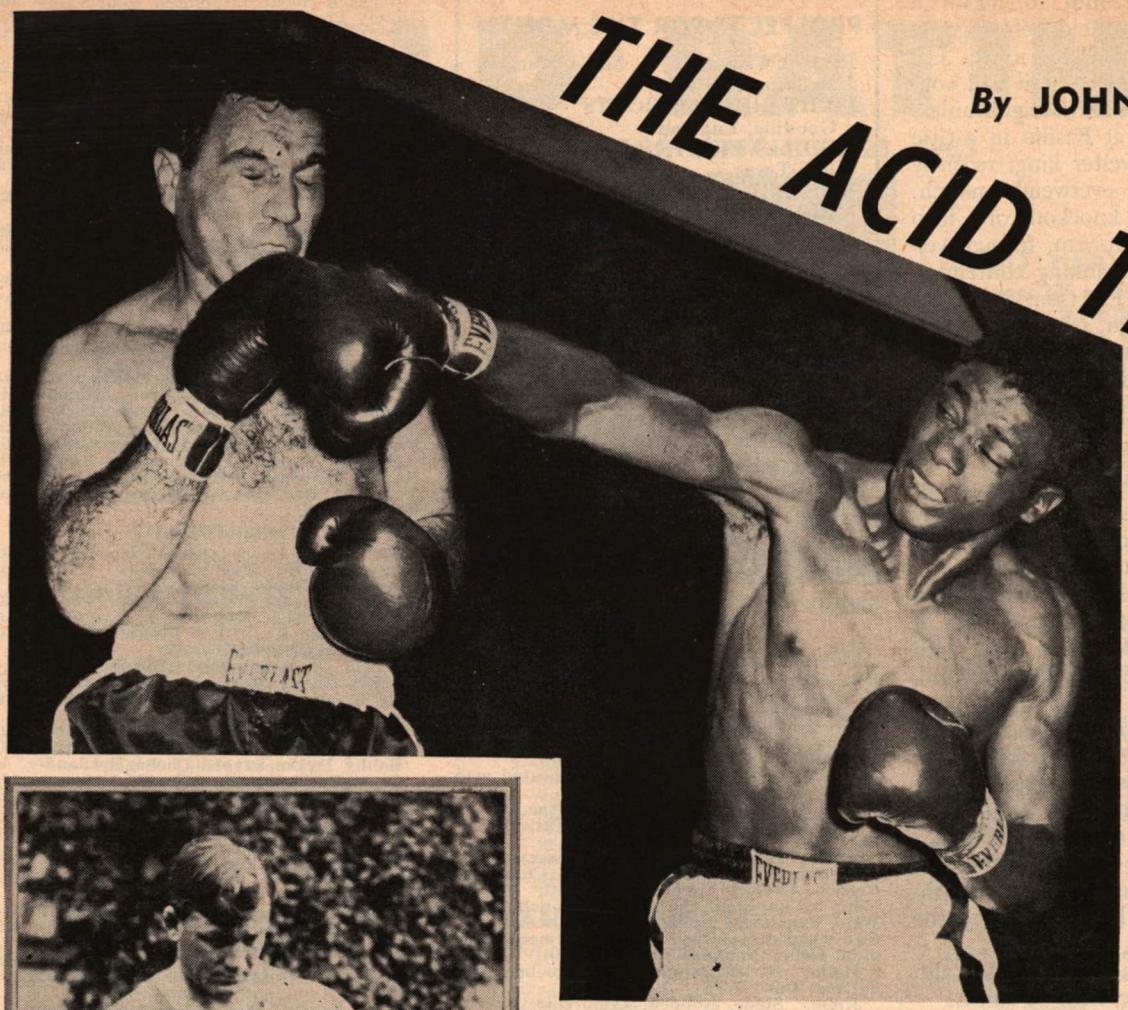
PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

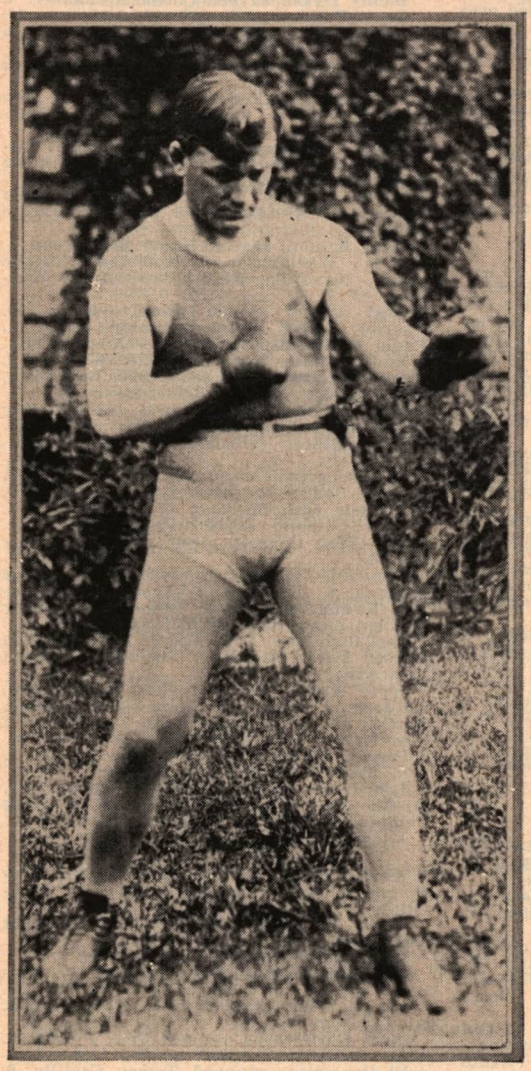
HEAVYWEIGHTS — Eddie Machen, Reddings, Calif.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS — Terry Gooding, England
MIDDLEWEIGHTS — Sam Poag, Irving, Texas
WELTERWEIGHTS — Lyle Mackin, Richmond, Calif.
LIGHTWEIGHTS — Bobby McHugh, Boston, Mass.
FEATHERWEIGHTS — Darcey Carr, Australia
BANTAMWEIGHTS — Ricardo Moreno, Mexico
FLYWEIGHTS — Cliff Eskridge, Cairo, Ill.

THE ACID TEST

By JOHNNY SALAK



Trial horse Joey Maxim (left) provided the big test for Floyd Patterson and showed up some of the former Olympic champion's shortcomings. Patterson learned much from the loss and now points toward a title.



Fireman Jim Flynn, one of the original trial horses, deflated a young Jack Dempsey in less than a round in 1917. A year later Dempsey reversed the score.

THE trial horse, the oft-maligned but very necessary and usually very inspiring fighter is one of the most misunderstood fellows in the game.

Before we start, let it be held in mind that the trial horse is not a humpty; he must not be confused, though often is, with an out-and-outer; he is not a stifferoo, he is not necessarily a spoiler; and he, quite definitely, does not go into a contest prepared to lose.

Quite the contrary, the strange animal, the trial horse is a success in his medium because he has appeal, as a fighter, to keep drawing the fans despite the fact that he usually does wind up on the losing end at the hands of boxing's best corps or those who will graduate into the class of the elite.

He is usually a veteran of the game, probably with a decade of top-flight competition behind him. Ring-wise he is, wary and cute, or perhaps carrying a still potent punch.

But somewhere along the line, if he did not reach the top and begin to slip, he lacked one essential that held and holds him from the championship. Glass chin, old-age, injury, crazy-mixed-up mind, managerial difficulties, bad breaks. Take your choice, one of them will fit and tell why a trial horse wasn't a Man O' War.

While rated fighters and champions often take on these trial horses, the main occupation of this special breed is to, in battle, sample the ability of the best young fighters available, young fighters who have had their share of set-ups and experience-gaining contests and are considered ready to weigh in against the top rated talent and make their move toward a title shot. This is where the men are separated from the boys. This is the ACID TEST. If he can't get past the trial horse he hasn't got it or is not yet ready to tangle with the real class.

Sometimes, due to circumstances, or a string of wins gained at the expense of these younger fighters trying to reach the top, a trial horse will find himself moved into a title contest himself. It doesn't

To the Well Once too Often? Ezzard Charles, former heavyweight champion, has been much in demand to test the abilities of young hopefuls. But two successive defeats at the hands of Tommy Jackson may have forced Charles to call it quits.

happen too often but it does occur. And sometimes the trial horse startles everyone, perhaps except himself, by unexpectantly taking the crown.

One of the earliest of the trial horses, Fireman Jim Flynn, after knocking around the fight game a dozen years with never reaching the top, engaged heavyweight champion Jack Johnson in a title bout in 1912, with Flynn taking a beating when the police stopped the bout. The fight was held in Las Vegas. Five years later, still making the rounds, Flynn tested the mettle of Jack Dempsey and found the man who would be one day hailed as the Idol of Fistiana sadly lacking. Flynn knocked him out in one round on February 13, 1917 at Salt Lake City. A year later, Dempsey reversed the result on Flynn.

Tom Heeney was another trial horse who fitted in nicely with a champion's plans and was given a title bout with Gene Tunney in 1928. Tunney halted him in eleven rounds.

A STRANGE chain of events, which seem highly implausible, led one trial horse to the heavyweight championship, Jersey Joe Walcott having campaigned for better than twenty years before he took the Big Prize.

Having retired several times, just hanging on for the purses, fighting where and when he could, always the opponent, opportunity came his way in 1947 when the dauntless Joe Louis, lacking title opponents and stymied in an attempt at an exhibition bout in New York took on Walcott at Madison Square Garden, New York. Jersey Joe dropped Louis twice but, according to the majority of the officials, failed to annex the crown on a split decision.

But the loss made Walcott overnight. He became the sentimental favorite of the fans. Six months later he engaged Louis in a return match and, though again downing the champion, was stopped in eleven rounds.

That should have been it, the trial horse who had his chance—two chances—and flubbed them. But Louis retired and Ezzard Charles and Walcott tangled in 1949 for N. B. A. recognition. Walcott lost a decision. A three times loser, it seemed he'd had it. But two years later he got his fourth chance, against Charles again, and dropped the decision once more. This, looking through the records, we find, is an incredible number of opportunities for a fighter to have at a title—especially the heavyweight crown.

However, Walcott, the erstwhile trial horse, received a fifth chance and made good, halting Ezzard Charles in seven rounds in 1952. And then, several months later, though dropping Rocky Marciano, he was halted to lose the title. In a return match, comforted by a $250,000 guarantee, Walcott lasted less than a round.

Walcott was the most successful of the trial horses, parleying his cunning, thunderous punch and experience from a mean and bitter existence through the depression days to success in the era of big money television fights.

AT present we have some exceptionally fine trial horses, numbering among them Ezzard Charles, Bob Satterfield, Tiger Jones, Rex Layne, Gil Turner, Joey Maxim, Jimmy Slade and Archie McBride, every one of whom could give the best in the business a rough night of it and has proven to be the acid test for youngsters coming up.

Joey Maxim, former world light heavyweight champion and a wily veteran who, in semi retirement, occasionally leaves the confines of his delicatessen to try to knock the stuffings out of or slice up an opponent has been a very successful trial horse, a victory over him still meaning much.

Floyd Patterson, a 1952 Olympic champion, who looks like the best bet around to eventually take the light heavyweight and heavyweight titles, was being moved along carefully in 1954 after only thirteen fights. But with his ability and his rating he found few fighters who would face him. Either they weren't good enough or, at this stage of his career, they were too good. Maxim was brought in, reluctantly, for the acid test.

Patterson proved capable but Maxim proved too cute.

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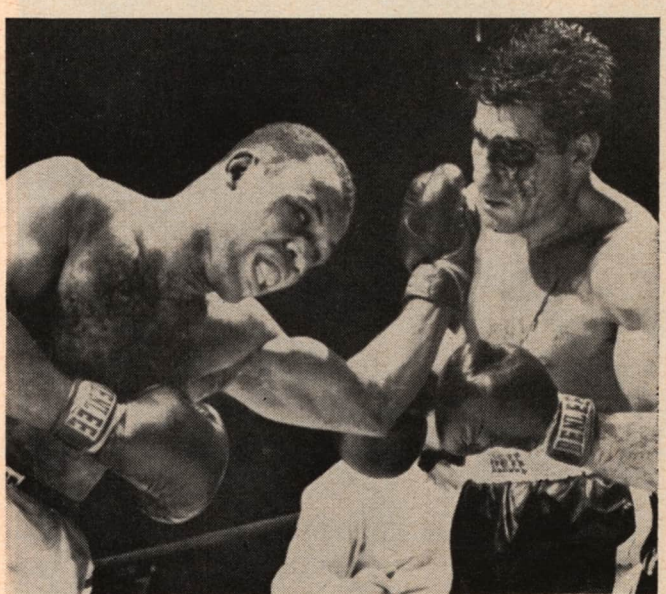
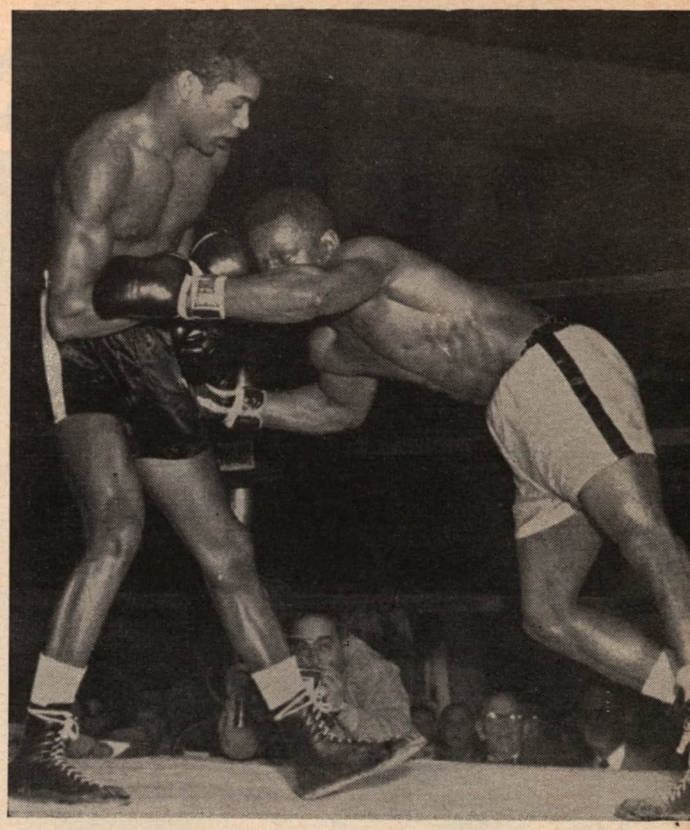
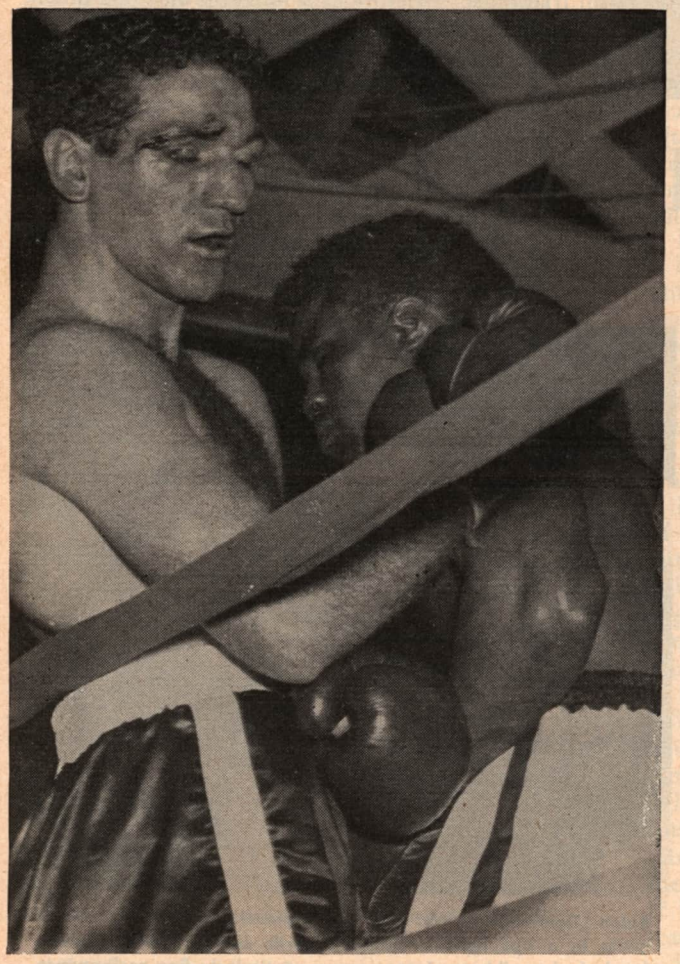


Ralph (Tiger) Jones (left) is a crowd pleasing trial horse who is never in a dull fight. Against Eduardo Lausse (above), whom he slashed to ribbons, Jones gave a particularly fine performance but lost the decision.

TV Fight Circuit



Willie Troy (left) and Moses Ward (going down) engaged in one of the most thrilling fights seen on television, the entire bout having been fought without a clinch.



Television made Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson (right), especially in appearances such as this when he halted Dan Bucceroni at Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y.

By JACK HAND

GONE are the days of the old neighborhood fight club with cigar smoke curling in the rafters and "the kid from the First Ward" fighting the main go. This is the era of the "studio show" for the television audience with a few raucous customers to provide a live backdrop of color.

Sports fans are big-league minded now with no time to spare for the little fellow on the way up. They demand the "name" fighters and the "name" fighters demand the TV cash. A promoter without a TV contract simply can't lure the big fish.

In the old days the circuit used to include good fight towns like Scranton, Buffalo, Newark, Wilkes-Barre and North Adams, Mass. After a Monday night's action there would be 30 entries in the "Fights Last Night" column of the daily newspapers. Now the limit is five or six—more often two.

It's common to hear fans talk of the "Wednesday fights" or the "Monday fights" or the "Friday fights." Nobody knows or cares where they were fought. As far as the TV customer is concerned, they fought in his living room, or the corner bar.

ONLY a handful of fighters remains who can stir up enough home town fire to keep a local club alive. Carmen Basilio, the welterweight champion, is the prime example. Because of his rags-to-riches rise, Syracuse, N. Y. is a throbbing fight center. Ralph Dupas is a card in New Orleans, Tony DeMarco in Boston and Bobo Olson in San

Francisco. But you can stop right there. The home town favorite is a vanishing breed. Now it's the TV "name" fighter who wins sponsors and influences promoters.

The fight circuit, 1955 version, is a shrinking circle based on the various outposts of the International Boxing Club. Madison Square Garden still is the main ring with 30 or 35 shows a year. The Chicago Stadium is a once-a-month stop and the Detroit Olympia seldom operates. San Francisco's Cow Palace has become an important link with the rise of Bobo Olson and Boston rates a date anytime Tony DeMarco is ready to box.

The other cities are in the now-and-then class. Miami Beach operates weekly and manages to get its share of TV dates in the Winter season. Philadelphia was a regular until Harold Johnson ate that apple.

Cincinnati gets on the network when Ezzard Charles is on top. Minneapolis, Dallas, Indianapolis, Toledo, Fort Worth, Oakland, Los Angeles, Washington, St. Louis, Milwaukee and Cleveland are spotted with occasional TV shows.

TV fans have seen their share of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" fights with the balcony chorus hooting because of lack of action. But they also have seen plenty of blood-and-thunder battles. Each club has its favorite.

Chicago Stadium, which saw the Rocky Graziano-Tony Zale rematch without any TV cameras, has provided plenty of action for the living room customers. The last of the Sugar Ray Robinson-Jake LaMotta series, Feb. 14, 1951 when Sugar Ray stopped Jake to win the middleweight title was one of its best. Stadium fans also will argue for the Robinson-Graziano match, April 16, 1952 when Rocky decked Ray but was knocked out in the third round.

Probably the largest TV audience saw Kid Gavilan explode the Chuck Davey myth at Chicago Stadium, on February 11, 1953. Certainly, it never will go down in the records as a great fight but the absorbing fan interest in Davey, the Golden Boy of the collegiate ranks, made it a memorable evening.

The Archie Moor-Joey Maxim serial ran on TV almost as many times as "I Love Lucy". The St. Louis Arena was the site of No. 1 when Archie won the light heavy title, December 17, 1952. The Ogden Stadium in Utah was the scene of No. 2, June 24, 1953 and they fought the third for the TV cameras at Miami Stadium, January 6, 1954.

One of Miami's great fights, Charley Norkus-Danny Nardico, wasn't on television when both boys were bouncing up and down off the floor like jumping jacks. The tame rematch, however, was seen coast-to-coast.

WILLIE TROY and Moses Ward staged a free-swinging brawl for the TV fans at Detroit, February 3, 1954 that would have to rate among the Olympia's best TV shows. Neither boy went any place in the ratings but they didn't clinch once in a real slam bang battle.

Pittsburgh's claim to TV fight fame was the left hook knockout of Ezzard Charles by Jersey Joe Walcott to win the heavyweight title, July 18, 1951.

The cameras in Philadelphia's Convention Hall picked up Rocky Marciano's sorry performance against Lee Savold, on the way to the title, and thus left many millions unprepared for Rocky's knockout of Walcott to win the championship later at Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium without TV. All the nation saw Marciano belt out Jersey Joe in one round at Chicago Stadium in the rematch. Most of Marciano's fights, however, have been carried on closed circuit Theater Network Television.

Madison Square Garden has had so many televised fights that it is almost impossible to pick out any one battle as outstanding. Perhaps the second Willie Pep-Sandy Saddler match would be the tops since the cameras first peeked in to see the second Max Baer-Lou Nova match, the first

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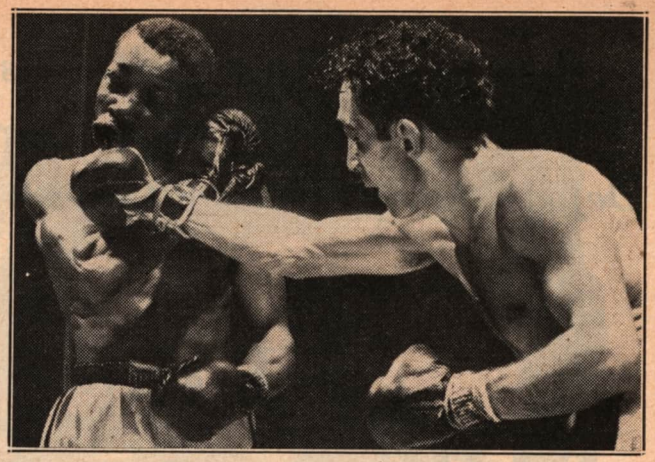
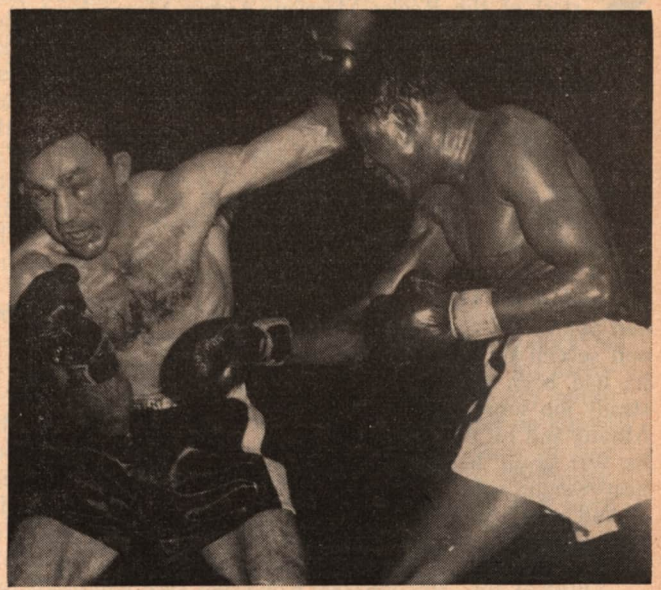


Madison Square Garden has been the scene of many exciting TV fights, numbering among them the second Willie Pep (right) battle with Sandy Saddler in which Pep regained the featherweight crown.

Rocky Marciano (right) has rarely been seen on home-TV, one of the bouts being a disappointing performance against Lee Savold.



Carmen Basilio (left) losing a decision to Kid Gavilan, though he dropped him, in a welterweight title bout was one of the highlights on TV from Syracuse's War Memorial Auditorium.

Many of Ring's All-Time Greats Had to Overcome Disheartening Defeats Early in Their Careers

From Loss Comes Profit

Jack Johnson had rough early career. Not only was he knocked out by Joe Choynski, but he and his conqueror are pictured here in jail after being arrested for violating Texas anti-prizefighting law.

Tiger Flowers, the Georgia southpaw, who had to overcome record of eight knockout defeats on his way to dethroning the great Harry Greb and becoming world middleweight champion.

By JERSEY JONES

SITTING in the working press section, awaiting the start of the Rocky Marciano-Archie Moore bout in New York's spacious Yankee Stadium, the thought suddenly occurred that seldom had a world heavyweight title affair offered such a wide contrast in the fistic backgrounds of the principals.

Here was the challenger, Moore, a 38-year-old journeyman who, in nearly two decades of ring warfare, had experienced just about as rugged a career as any fighter you'd ever heard of. It had been a rough road, indeed, for Archie in his long, weary, often discouraging chase for Big Time recognition. His ramblings had taken him from one end of the United States to the other, and to Australia and South America, but he'd known very few good paydays, and several times, after particularly disheartening setbacks, he had been tempted to chuck it all and get himself a steady job somewhere. But there was a stubborn streak in Moore, and his determination finally began to pay off when he was given his long-delayed chance to win the light-heavyweight title.

And now, an "old man", as age is reckoned in this boisterous trade, he was fighting for the biggest prize of all.

Your thoughts then shifted to Marciano, and what a comparatively easy time Rocky had had in his rapid climb to the lofty estate of world heavyweight champion. You wondered what would have happened to Marciano had he met up with a bad beating somewhere along the way, and whether or not that pasting would have discouraged him from continuing in the ring. Would he have said to himself: "This is too tough a racket, and I've got sense enough not to have my brains scrambled. I'm getting out of it and into something easier." Or would that defeat have added fuel to Rocky's fires of ambition, and inspired him to learn and profit from it? Would he have had the same persistence and determination as Moore? Who could say?

ONE bad beating has been the ruination of many a promising youngster's ring career. The bulky history of boxing is loaded with chapters on kids who weren't equipped, psychologically, to accept decisive defeat. They could Give, but they couldn't Take.

Loaded with exceptional natural talents, and toting all the earmarks and other identifying features of certain future champions, they began their careers in impressive, often sensational, fashion. Then, suddenly, they met up with disaster. Maybe they were over-matched. Perhaps, too

cocky, they became careless with opponents they figured to beat. Whatever the reason or reasons, they crashed into unexpected setbacks. The experience had a demoralizing effect on them. Their confidence was shattered.

Some kids, utterly discouraged, quit the ring then and there. Others continued in the trade, with varying degrees of success, but never realized fully on their early promise.

In last month's issue of The Ring, Nat Fleischer recalled some notable instances of likely young ringsters whose up-and-coming careers were practically wrecked by one stunning defeat.

On the other, and brighter, side of the scene, many of the finest mechanics boxing has known scaled the lofty heights because they learned how to take defeat and convert it into valuable experience.

DISCUSSING the matter, it's something of a timely coincidence that the four "moderns" just elected to Boxing's Hall of Fame in this year's voting—Benny Leonard, Harry Greb, Mickey Walker and Gene Tunney—are all standout examples of fighters who overcame discouraging defeats and went on to their ultimate destinies.

A frail kid when he began boxing, it didn't take Leonard long to realize he didn't have the ruggedness to slug with more robust rivals. Frankie Fleming and Joe Shugrue knocked him out. So Benny concentrated on developing speed and skill, and he became one of the most superb craftsmen the ring has produced—a dazzling boxer, deadly sharpshooter, keen strategist and colorful showman. Leonard was only 21 when he became world lightweight champion, and for more than seven busy years he ruled supreme over the most formidable crowd of contenders the division has ever known.

In his first year of fighting, Greb was flattened by Joe Chip, brother of middleweight champion George. But Harry didn't let that setback affect him. He picked himself up from the debris and went on to become one of boxing's all-time greats—a middleweight champion who specialized in beating light-heavies and heavies.

No ambitious youngster was subjected to a more emphatic defeat than Walker in his first year in the ring. Another kid, K.O. Phil Delmont, demolished him in one round. But Mickey wasn't one to be disheartened. He continued fighting, blasted his way to two world titles—welterweight and middleweight—and became a strong contender for two others, light-heavy and heavy.

The only defeat ever suffered by Tunney was in his first meeting with Greb. Gene wasn't knocked out, but that was about the only thing that didn't happen to him. He absorbed a brutal lacing from the lighter but speedier Greb. Gene's nose was fractured, his features slashed into a gory mess of cuts and bruises. It would have surprised no one had Gene, in disgust, quit the ring then and there. But he didn't. Through puffed, bleeding lips, his first remarks back in the dressing room were: "I know I can beat Greb. Get him for me again."

Tunney was accommodated—not once but four times—and the steadily improving Greenwich Villager bettered his score with each succeeding performance. First he won by a close, disputed margin; then by a wider one, and in the last two bouts he trounced Greb decisively. From that series Tunney went on to whip Jack Dempsey for the world heavyweight title.

DEMPSEY was another who had to buck all sorts of discouragements, including a one-round knockout by the ringworn Fireman Jim Flynn, before he eventually "found" himself and blasted his way to the top of the heavyweight heap. On his way to the title Manassa Jack squared accounts with Flynn by returning the one-round demolition job.

Jack Johnson, rated by many authorities as the No. 1 heavyweight of all time, had no easy time of it in his early years in the ring. As a matter of fact, he was knocked out twice in succession, in his third and fourth bouts. A husky Negro calling himself "Klondike" stopped him in five rounds, then the veteran Joe Choynski, never much more than a heavy middleweight, flattened him in three. To make matters worse, Johnson, along with Choynski, was promptly arrested and clapped into jail for violating the anti-prizefight law then in effect in Texas. Choynski was released the next morning but Johnson spent twenty-eight dreary days in the brig.

If any fighter had ample cause to be discouraged with the boxing business, it was Johnson. But the powerful Galveston ex-stevedore was one to live and learn. With his natural physical strength, he began to develop boxing skill, and as a defensive mechanic it is doubtful if the heavyweight division has ever seen his equal.

Max Schmeling was another hard to discourage. Knocked out three times in German rings, last time by light-hitting Gypsy Daniels, Schmeling decided to try his luck in United States and his determination paid off when he won world heavyweight title.

THREE knockout defeats in his native Germany didn't deter Max Schmeling from trying his boxing luck in the United States. When he was halted early in his career by Max Dieckmann and Larry Gains, Max merely wrote off the setbacks as "experience," but he could offer no logical explanations when Gypsy Daniels flattened him in one round. By that time Schmeling was a seasoned performer, in his fifth year of ring activity and with more than forty pro bouts behind him. Getting blasted in a hurry by a notorious light hitter like Daniels should have ruined any fistic ambitions Max may have been nursing, but it didn't. Eight months after that debacle, Schmeling began the

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Nat FLEISCHER *says:*

A RECENT Gallup Poll delved into the question of televised bouts and the reaction of those watching the fights at home. Folks were asked to tell whether some of the contests might have been fixed. Was that the impression they got? If so, why?

The Gallup Poll announced that according to its investigation, 40 percent of Americans watching television fights think that some bouts are fixed, with the percentage rising to 48 among the closer followers of boxing, regular patrons of TV fights.

The report lamentably led individuals to the erroneous conclusion that boxing is crooked, that fixed fights are the rule, and that the only time the boxers are "leveling" is when undercover manager mobsters want the boxers to do so.

The poll, in our opinion, was absurd. Through the years there have been some fixed bouts and such were so obvious, that the scribes, the public sitting at the ringside and the boxing commissions had no difficulty detecting the fraud and quickly meted out punishment.

We do not go along with the assumption that 40 percent of TV fans believe they have been looking at phoney fights. Those who answered the Gallup Poll could not possibly have been the true boxing enthusiasts who know how to judge properly between honest-to-goodness competition and the fix.

The Poll's conclusions are based on flimsy evidence. We base our statement on investigations far better and more accurate than any poll can be, because our readers are the best judges of fights and seldom has "The Ring" been in receipt of letters from its thousands of readers along the lines suggested by the Gallup Poll.

The Gallup Poll proved nothing. That all is not healthy in boxing, we have known right along, and have said so. But we refuse to give the public the impression that boxing is fixed since this is far untrue.

BOXING HAS WEAKNESSES, BUT NOT FIXED FIGHTS

We have no reason to condone boxing's ills. We have condemned in the harshest terms, the hoodlums who repeatedly have been named in investigations as undercover managers or the guiding lights in boxing. But not even these can pull off a "fixed" fight and get away with it.

Boxing has its weaknesses, and those who are responsible for its regulation, have been doing a pretty good job to eradicate those ills. It's not an easy task. It takes time but eventually we hope to see the clearance of these tramps from a sport that has survived many waves of attack.

After fifty years of association with boxing I cannot point to two dozen fixed fights, in which the evidence could convict.

The Gallup Poll is a mis-leader. It tends to convey the impression that all is rotten in boxing. It condemns the entire field of pugilism by innuendo.

There may be some rotten apples in the barrel, but in what business is there total purity?

Let's clean up boxing, something we've been trying to do with the aid of legislators, commissions, and the press, not clutter it up with false subscription selling notions.

ROBBIE CHANCES TO REGAIN WORLD TITLE ARE BRIGHT

Unless we are mistaken, the knockout of Carl Bobo Olson by Archie Moore has taken much of the starch out of him if his subsequent contests with Jimmy Martinez of Glendale, Arizona and Joey Giambra of Buffalo are a criterion. In each of these, the first in Portland, Oregon for which the world middleweight champion scaled 166 pounds and 165 for the Giambra affair in San Francisco, Olson failed to display the merits of a title holder. He didn't show any more than did Sugar Ray Robinson in Ray's last bout with Rocky Castellani in California when Robinson came through with a split decision.

If Olson is no better when he defends his crown against Robinson, Sugar Ray will regain the title he abdicated in June 1952, a campaign for which he has been waging since November of last year. Robinson is far from the flawless, clever, hard hitting middleweight he was before retirement, but if what Olson has displayed in his last few contests is his best, then Ray doesn't have to be as good as he was in his prime to take the measure of his successor. Ray has the best chance of any boxer who in recent years has attempted the comeback role.

Olson had better be on his guard. The signs point to a defeat and loss of his championship if he doesn't improve. Bobo was stopped by Robbie in 12 rounds in Philadelphia and later lost in fifteen in San Francisco.

The biggest handicap Olson faces in his third bout with the former champion, is the weight problem. Carl has found it difficult to get down to the scale limit for his class while Robinson has no difficulty at all keeping within the limits of his division.

BEAU JACK'S FINANCIAL STATE REALLY DEPLORABLE

Considering that Beau Jack fought more main events in Madison Square Garden than any other boxer, the pitiful financial state in which he finds himself furnishes food for thought. Here was a shoe shine lad who grossed $1,578,069 in twenty-one contests in the House That Tex Built. Only a few years after his retirement with lameness, he finds it necessary to return to the profession which he had abandoned. His funds gone—no one seems to have an explanation for the reason—he takes shellackings in order to eat.

He wasn't a product of the Golden Era of Boxing, yet in him Mike Jacobs had a drawing card who filled his coffers. Jack's Garden bouts drew a total of 355,092 persons, an average of 17,000 per fight.

What Jim Norris wouldn't give for such a magnet!

Whatever the reason for Jack's return to ring warfare, he should be protected against further beatings such as he received in the bout in Georgia. Promoters booking him cannot have the interests of this great little fighter at heart.

Boxing hit a new low when Augusta, Georgia, authorities permitted Beau to fight Ike Williams in a ten round bout after Beau had been turned down by the New York Commission as unfit physically to continue his "comeback". When one recalls the great battles Beau fought in New

York's Garden where he drew fabulous crowds and gates, he shudders at the report that the poor little crippled former shoe shine boy who thrilled millions, was battered into a hulk and was forced to retire in the ninth round of a contest that never should have been sanctioned.

Bleeding badly, hanging on to the ropes, Jack presented a pitiful sight. As for the fighting qualities, Williams didn't do much better since he, like Beau, is well passed his prime.

Performances such as took place in Augusta do neither boxing nor the State any good. Let's have no recurrence.

From 1942 through 1949, when Beau Jack was on top of the fistic world as an attraction, he drew a total of 355,092 persons in the Garden and his fights grossed a million and a half.

Middleweight champion Bobo Olson (right) has failed to display championship caliber in his recent contests with Jimmy Martinez and Joey Giambra (above) though winning, a condition which may enhance Ray Robinson's chances of regaining the title.

TOWNE PROVES HIGH SKILL IN ENGLISH RINGS

Artie Towne, known in England as "The Hooded Terror from New York", demonstrated his true ability in his last two contests in Liverpool, in which he stopped two outstanding middleweights.

Willie Armstrong, Scottish champion and Johnny Sullivan, former British and Empire title holder, each went in a round. Les Allen went the limit and lost to Art.

Artie, who has encountered great difficulty in obtaining bouts in America with the leading figures, disposed of Sullivan in 43 seconds after dropping him three times and dropping him over the ropes for another count before the referee stepped in to halt the slaughter.

It was the worst defeat suffered by a lad who was rated in America, during a short stay, as one of the best prospects the division had developed in years.

Towne had been criticized in the U.S. for the lack of enthusiasm, but this was primarily due to the fact that the "big shots" refused to face him.

To obtain even minor contests, like Sam Langford, Jack Johnson, Sam McVey, Joe Jeannette of the old school before him, he was forced to take things easy if he hoped to make a decent living. Abroad, however, he had nothing to fear.

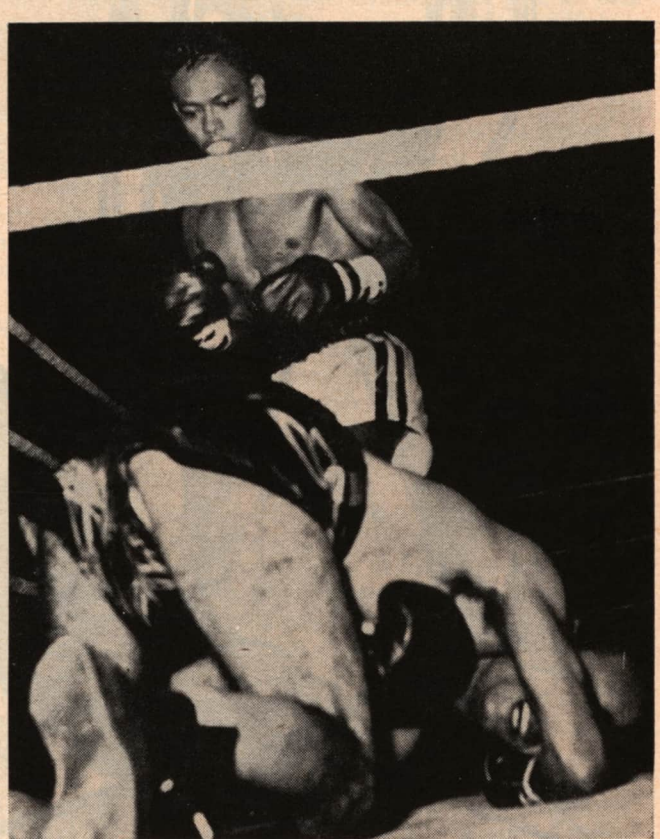
Johnny Best, promoter of the Stadium of Liverpool, signed him because of his high ability and pitted him against the best talent he could produce. And now that Towne had disposed of England's leading figures, he has decided to return to America to campaign, along the lines that Archie Moore did for the Marciano bout, for a chance to tackle Bobo Olson, Ray Robinson or Rocky Castellani. He has earned recognition for bouts of that calibre.

If Art will display his wares with the same vim and enthusiasm he did in England, he will make a much needed addition to the rapidly disintegrating middleweight division which is sadly in need of help. For a long time when he was managed by George Gainford who also handles the affairs of Ray Robinson, Towne was used, in boxing parlance, as a policeman for Sugar Ray. It was his job to tackle those whom Gainford wanted out of the way and he did pretty well in that line.

In his most recent bout with Peter Muller in Germany, he was disqualified by the referee for not taking two full steps back after clinch, but later the Commission changed this to "no-decision." Arthur Buelow, former manager of Max Schmeling ordered the change on the ground that the referee had erred in his decision. Towne has returned to the States to start anew on a U.S. campaign.

THAI BANTAMWEIGHT KING HITS SPOTLIGHT

One of the most promising little fighters to come out of the Orient since the last World War, is a Thailander, Nai



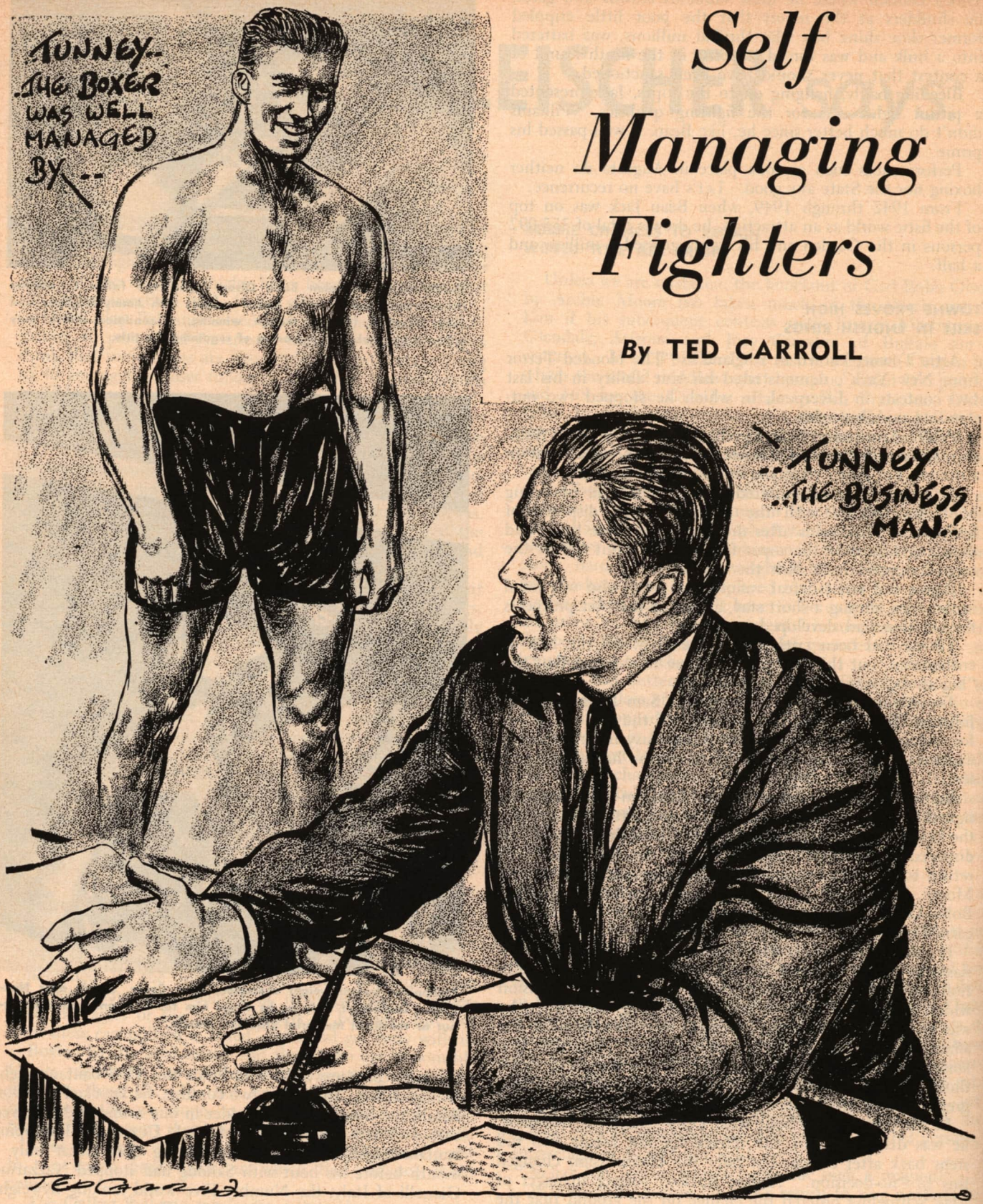
Philippines bantamweight champion, Little Cezar, stands over Nazzarino Gianelli of Italy as he drops him for a second round knockout at the Rizal Memorial Stadium, Manila.

Sanong a bantamweight who holds the Thai bantamweight championship. In his last two contests, he knocked out Don Rizali, the Singapore title holder in one round and followed that with a two round kayo of Little Cezar, the Philippine bantamweight champion. Considering that Cezar only a month before his bout with Sanong had stopped Nazzarino Gianelli of Italy, the Number Five world ranking flyweight in the second round, the feat of the Thai lad in disposing of Nazzarino's conqueror in the same number, indicates that he bears watching. By his victory, Sanong replaced Cezar as the tenth rated bantam.

Reports from the Orient sing the praise of Sanong. His rise to a place in international boxing is a good omen. Boxing has truly become an international sport with the Orient playing a big part in keeping boxing in the headlines.

Self Managing Fighters

By TED CARROLL



YEARS ago somebody once asked Joe Louis what he thought of fight managers.

"Fight managers just like that ol' Freddy Guinyard," Joe answered.

"And who was Freddy Guinyard?" the questioner wanted to know.

"Freddy Guinyard was a old friend of mine who got me a job with him on a ice wagon," Louis explained. *"Only thing was, I used to have to carry the ice up all them flights of stairs while Freddy stayed down to watch the horse and wagon."*

At a dinner in Milwaukee last winter, Louis, a funnyman, was asked by a guest, *"Joe, if you had to do it all over again, would you go in the boxing game?"*

"Sure," cracked the witty Louis, and then floored the audience by saying, *"but not as a fighter, as a manager. They*

get paid just like the fighter, without nobody hittin' 'em."

No one is better fitted to discourse on the subject of managers than the old Brown Bomber, who for most of his career had two nominal managers, Julian Black and John Roxborough, plus an actual one, Mike Jacobs, who ran the whole outfit. At the time Louis made the **"ice wagon"** observation, he had just shed himself of the last of the trio, and the first to take him in hand, John Roxborough. Julian Black was just a memory in Joe's past at that time, and Uncle Mike was in a shadowy retirement of senility and sickness.

Joe was about to take a fling at handling his own affairs with Marshall Miles, Buffalo bankrollman, as his manager of record. By this time Joe had convinced himself he could carry the ice up the stairs and mind the wagon too.

Whether Louis still feels the same way after his fling at self piloting is rather doubtful, for the problems and money mixups which bedevilled him then were not eased when he decided to make his own decisions. If anything, had Miles' counsel been followed, Joe would probably have been spared the ignominy of the Marciano disaster, a bout which the Buffalonian disapproved of from the very beginning, only to be overruled by Louis himself.

It's considered "ungrateful" by boxing people, for pugs openly to guide their own destinies. For one thing, reprisals are to be expected from the managerial brigade, ever alert to any sign of insurrection among the fighters. Relatives are sometimes installed as stooges in place of discarded pilots in hopes that this will pacify fellow-managers and matchmakers who always take a dim view of a self-managing pugilist. Of course any such self management move is impossible during the early stages of a boxer's career. As a rule not only a manager, but numerous "piece men" are necessary to a young boxer's advancement.

The urge to drop the pilot usually hits the fighter simultaneously with his entry into the big time or the championship circle. A lot of the boys then toss off the lamb-like robes of docility, and become unmasked as lions roaring for a brand new deal all around. The deal quite often amounts to a complete reversal of position with the fighter now top card in the deck and the manager now lost in the shuffle.

There is a unanimity of opinion that the toughest man in this respect among modern fighters was Jake LaMotta. Managed by Mike Capriano, in his early days, Mike just kept fading away as Jake battled his way to the top, and finally he wasn't there at all. After brother Joey had tried his hand at boxing, and been disposed of as a fighter with a future, Jake appointed Joey his manager . He eventually "suspended" brother Joey, leaving himself in full control. Jake is supposed to have availed himself of a sinister and influential advisor, after winning the title, and he is said to have more than held his own in his dealings with this party.

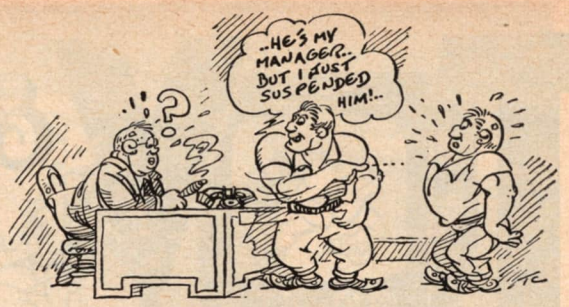
LaMotta not only managed himself while middleweight champion, he "sponsored" young fighters, and had a hand in the promotion of a small Bronx fight club located on a spot of real estate owned by the old Bronx Bull himself.

According to his pal Rocky Graziano, who should know, old Jake is "loaded".

This, reasons Graziano, is what keeps LaMotta from becoming a huge stage success. *"Whenever one o' them director guys tries to tell Jake anything, Jake gets mad and yells, 'What has this bum got? I got a bundle, no busted guy is tellin' me nothing about nothin'!"*

That LaMotta is well off is quite obvious, since he is a thrifty soul and was never hit with those managerial "expense lists" which have added to the woes of so many fighters.

LaMotta wasn't a clever fighter. He made his money the hard way, in bitter, bruising brawls, and if he gained the reputation of being a hard man to do business with it has paid off for him.



...JAKE LAMOTTA MADE BROTHER JOEY HIS "MANAGER"...

Former lightweight king, Ike Williams, a lot like LaMotta in general disposition, was well managed by Blinky Palermo —plus Ike himself! In sharp contrast to such good natured, amiable and trusting Negro fighters of the past as Beau Jack, Henry Armstrong, Tiger Flowers, Kid Chocolate and other innocents, the grouchy Jerseyman never gave an inch at pay-off time. He had his way in all matters which is probably why he has no financial worries today.

The all-time model of a self managed fighter is of course, millionaire Gene Tunney, who not only selected and then okayed his own opponents, but did the actual paying off to "Manager" Gilly Gibson and hired hands after both the Dempsey-Tunney windfalls. Frank "Doc" Bagley, Gene's first mentor, was a capable handler, but the handsome and fun-loving Frank, liked the high life a bit too much for one of Gene's spartan tastes and serious routine.

Once Bagley had been cast aside, Tunney came to an agreement with Billy Gibson, which was nothing like the usual manager-fighter set-up. It is generally understood that Gibson received nowhere near the usual managerial percentage of 33⅓% from Tunney who merely retained him for the sake of custom and Billy's political influence.

Tunney did a wonderful job on himself, although harassed by lawsuits by Tim Mara, "BooBoo" Hoff and sundry others, his final settlement of these claims was but a fraction of what a manager's split would have been of the $990,000 he got for the second Dempsey fight in Chicago in 1927.

Sugar Ray Robinson, like Tunney and LaMotta was never convinced of a manager's necessity. But unlike these two, the showy Sugar Baby loved to be surrounded and trailed by a miniature mob of yes-men, golfers, dancers, hairdressers, relatives, court jesters, bartenders, and assorted stooges. The upkeep of this retinue no doubt exceeded the expense of any manager, even a **"fifty percenter"**.

When Curt Hoermann, a wealthy brewer, and sportswriter Murray Lewin, who had Sugar in tow at the outset of his career removed themselves from the picture by passing on to the Great Beyond, Sugar simply changed George Gainford's title from trainer to manager, while taking over the reins of **"Sugar Ray Inc."** himself.

While the bulk of Robinson's purses lined his own pockets, his zest for high living and spending has forced him back into the ring for what he calls "walking-around money". This time Ray has picked up not one, but two managers, Ernie Braca and Vic Marsillo, with Gainford still

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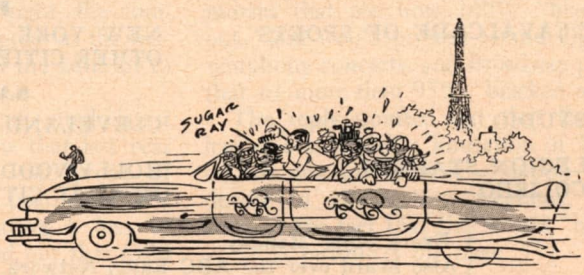

By JOHNNY SALAK

THE largest-ever number of theatres were in on the closed-circuit telecast of the recent Rocky Marciano-Archie Moore heavyweight title fight, the number coming to 128. With the fight creating tremendous advance interest, Theatre Network TV was inundated with more than 400 inquiries from theatres, promoters, arenas and clubs for rights to televise the fight.

However, line clearances could not be made for all requests. The network was also limited because of the lack of TNT owned and operated mobile projection units. Sixty of these units were in operation the night of the big fight.

For the first time a closed-circuit event was international, with the Loew's Uptown, in Toronto, Canada, carrying the bout.

Previous high for the number of theatres carrying a fight was 86, for the Marciano-Cockell heavyweight title fight in May. However, this proved to be a poor attraction and did a dismal box office business.

Interest ran to incredible lengths for the Marciano-Moore fight and, even weeks before the bout, sell-outs were being reported.

With the theatre telecast of the fight blacked out in the New York area and New England and because the audience was decidedly limited due to theatre TV, an avalanche of nationwide interest in the radio broadcast of the heavyweight title bout warranted an increase in the radio network from 350 to almost 500 stations.

The bout was aired direct from ringside, with Russ Hodges and Steve Ellis describing the fight.

In addition to the 500 stations in the U. S., the bout was carried by stations in Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Canada and South America. The Armed Forces Radio Network also carried the bout to our troops overseas and the Voice of America beamed the blow-by-blow description to foreign countries. An estimated 40,000,000 radio sets throughout the world were tuned in on the fight.

When Marciano fought Ezzard Charles in September 1954 the largest radio audience since the Lux Radio drama series in 1951 was attracted. Nielsen Radio Rating Index scored that fight a 22.7 rating. The Marciano-Moore fight, unofficially, reached 28 points, an incredible figure for radio in this television age.

Bill Corum, veteran sportswriter and announcer, was once again at the TNT mike for the heavyweight championship.

NO COMMENT

Jackie Davis, boxing referee and former outstanding welterweight fighter, early in September was banned from refereeing in Cleveland because of his affiliation with television studio boxing.

David Ott, chairman of the Cleveland Boxing and Wrestling Commission, said that he notified Davis that he could not referee on Cleveland fight shows as long as he was a commentator between rounds of the studio fights.

"The boxing commission felt that Davis, in his capacity as a commentator on fighters is a judge and policeman

WEEKLY TV BOXING SCHEDULE

CLUB	CITY	STATION	ANNOUNCER
MONDAY			
ST. NICHOLAS ARENA	NEW YORK	DUMONT TV NETWORK	CHRIS SCHENKEL
† MONT. ST. LOUIS	MONTREAL	CBFT	MIKE NORMANDIN
TUESDAY			
MOTOR CITY ARENA	DETROIT	WWJ-TV	BILL FLEMING
WEDNESDAY			
WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS	(EMANATING FROM VARIOUS CITIES)	ABC-TV NETWORK	RUSS HODGES and JACK DREES
COLISEO	MEXICO CITY	XH-TV	JULIO SOTELO
THURSDAY			
OLYMPIC AUDITORIUM	LOS ANGELES	KCOP-TV	REID KILPATRICK
FRIDAY			
‡ CAVALCADE OF SPORTS	NEW YORK and OTHER CITIES	NBC-TV NETWORK	JIMMY POWERS
SATURDAY			
STUDIO	CLEVELAND	WEWS	JIM GRANER and JACK DAVIS
LEGION STADIUM	HOLLYWOOD	KHJ-TV	BILL SYMES
COLISEO	MEXICO CITY	XEW-TV	PACO MALGESTO and ANTONIO ANDERE

† Every other Monday.
‡ Also heard over the ABC Radio Network, Don Dunphy and Win Elliot, announcers.

and that it would not be right to have him as a referee," Ott said.

Davis has been appearing on the Saturday Night Fights program, sponsored by the Pilsener Brewing Co., on television station WEWS. He was considered for the job because of the television fight coverage he has done for *The Cleveland News*. Davis has been covering fights for *The News* since October, 1953.

The studio Saturday fights started on April 2, this year. Since the first night there has been a running feud between the promoter of the fights and the Boxing Managers Guild.

The feud flared into the open when a fight manager revealed that he received a telegram advising him not to let his fighter appear on a studio fight show for which he had contracted, and smouldered with the subsequent pulling out from the Boxing Managers Guild of fight managers from the Warren-Akron area to permit their fighters to appear on studio shows, and the eventual picketing of WEWS on fight nights by the Boxing Managers Guild.

It was at a meeting prior to the opening of the studio bouts that Ott called Davis aside and told him of the boxing commission's decision to drop his name from the referee list.

Davis said that his job as a commentator requires only that he explain to the viewers just what is going on, technically, in a bout. He says he has to be a neutral observer.

Davis was a runnerup in the 1929 Golden Gloves tournament in Chicago, where he lost in the finals to Barney Ross. Later he turned professional and was listed among the top ten welterweights in the country. He has been refereeing since 1936 and is considered one of the best referees in the country.

The bitter struggle being waged over televised studio boxing matches reached such proportions that the Cleveland Federal Grand Jury launched an investigation, centering their inquiry on the rules of the International Boxing Managers Guild, which operates out of New York and has standards prohibiting members from matching their fighters in studio battles.

Sam Taub, pioneer fight announcer and sportscaster, is presented with a citation by pretty Gussie Moran, newest member of WMGM's sportscasting staff. The salute to Taub was for outstanding contributions to the fifth estate, given during Station WMGM Jamboree Day at Palisades Amusement Park in New Jersey.

AIRING THEIR VIEWS

The Zenith Radio Corporation, in a reply filed with the Federal Communications Commission early in September, ripped formal comments filed in opposition to subscription TV by television network and movie theatre interests.

Zenith laid great stress on the fact that the only opposition to subscription TV came from two entities: TV networks and movie theatre owners.

The reply charged that the motive underlaying this opposition was a selfish desire to maintain monopolistic control of TV programming and motion picture exhibition, with no regard to public benefit from subscription TV.

Specifically, Zenith asserted that CBS and NBC oppose subscription TV because it would supply better TV service and free the public from being a captive audience that must watch sponsored programs or have no TV; would provide a new, additional, and competitive source of programs and revenue for the broadcast industry; and would unshackle TV stations from the monopolistic control networks now exercise over TV programs and revenues.

The reply further stated that movie theatre owners oppose subscription TV because it would permit the public to see new, theatre-quality motion pictures and other box office calibre entertainment in the home at lower prices and with greater convenience than attending the theatre.

Zenith, continuing, said that the public owns the air, which is now used for profit by broadcasters, advertisers, networks, and others, and the public clearly has a right to use the air to obtain subscription programs otherwise unavailable to it. This public right, the company said, is at least as great as the networks' right to sell use of the same air to advertisers.

The Zenith document cited latest FCC figures which show that last year the networks made a net profit of $36,000,000 while 302 post-freeze TV stations were accumulating a loss of $14,000,000 and pointed out that CBS and NBC enjoy 85% of all network TV revenue.

Subscription TV, Zenith asserted, would provide the programs and revenues to finance hundreds of TV stations that cannot be supported by local advertising revenue and that have little or no participation in NBC or CBS advertising revenues.

Replying to network and movie theatre allegations that subscription TV would "black out" sponsored TV, Zenith said that the new service would cure far more "black outs" that exist now under network monopoly than it would create.

Subscription TV, the company stated, would add to the broadcast hours of stations in every market and would make possible hundreds of new stations (many in small markets that have no stations now) devoting 85% of their time to sponsored and sustaining programs; it would replace old films that are viewed by an average of only 7% of the TV audience and therefore "blacked out" for 93%; would put on the air football games that are now 95% "blacked out," heavyweight championships and new theatre quality movies that are now 100% "blacked out," and would present Grand Opera, symphony concerts, and Broadway plays that are more than 95% "blacked out."

The reply pointed out that Zenith had recommended a limitation of 15% on the amount of time a station may devote to subscription programs, and stressed the fact that this would "black

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WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

By JOE SMITH

LIKE Father like Son. Thirty-seven years ago Gene Tunney served with the U. S. Marine Corps and then went on to fame and fortune by winning the heavyweight boxing championship of the world from Jack Dempsey in 1926.

Today, another Tunney is starting a hitch in the Marine Corps.

Private Jonathon R. Tunney, son of the former champion, is now undergoing recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S. C.

However, Jonathon says, "There'll be no professional boxing for me. One champion in the family is enough as far as I'm concerned."

Young Tunney, a carbon-copy of his father in looks and build is a quiet, reserved, soft-spoken youngster.

According to his drill-instructor, he is going about becoming a Marine in an exemplary manner.

"The lad is never out of line, and hasn't let his being the son of an ex-heavyweight champ go to his head," says his Senior Drill Instructor.

As a member of recruit platoon 83 in the Second Recruit Training Battalion, Tunney is on the go from morning 'til night.

Now in his third week of training, Jonathon has only a few more weeks before graduating from training.

The ten weeks intensive training includes military drill, parades and ceremonies, manual of arms, Marine Corps history, guard duty, personal hygiene, first aid, bayonet training, and defense against chemical and atomic attack.

He will also receive combat swimming lessons, participate in organized athletics, and undergo a rigid physical fitness program.

According to Tunney, the training he is getting is doing him a world of good.

He says, "Dad always said there was nothing like it, and I'm inclined to agree."

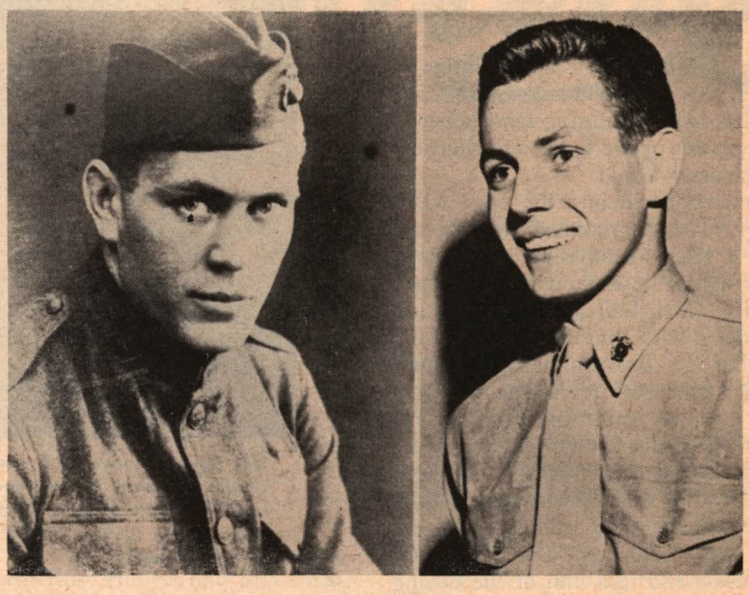
"I thought the schooling I received at Westminister and Lawrenceville Prep Schools was intense, but this makes that seem like a picnic."

Tunney joined the Marine Corps Reserve 3rd 155mm Howitzer Battalion while attending Lawrenceville Prep School in Trenton, N. J.

However, he decided to enlist in the Regular Marine Corps and serve for three years instead of staying with the Reserve.

" I hope to try for an appointment to the U. S. Naval Academy after completing Boot camp," says Tunney. "There are openings for men from the enlisted ranks of the Corps each year and I'm going to take a shot at it," he continued.

He may not go on to fame and glory as a boxing champion but Jonathon Tunney will leave his mark in the U. S. Marine Corps as did his famed father.



Like Father Like Son—but as Marines only. Gene Tunney (left), former world heavyweight champion, once served with the Fighting Leathernecks as does son Jonathon now. But the similarity ends there. "No pro boxing for me," says Jonathon.

ACTON IN ACTION

Sgt. Herschel Acton, a drill instructor at the San Diego MCRD, Calif., in 1948, fought both Johnny Saxton and Wallace "Bud" Smith in Golden Gloves competition. Saxton later became welterweight champion of the world and Smith is currently holder of the world lightweight title.

Jerry Evans, last year's 4th Army champion at Camp Polk, has held three championships, in the 112, 118 and the 126 pound classes. "Bolo Evans" they call him because of his style which is like Kid Gavilan's. Jerry hopes to be a fighting flyweight and a champion and with the right breaks he has the ability to prove it.

Richard Sicchio, author and publisher who did considerable work with service men during the second World War, has decided on a travelling clinic on boxing and will have the first one at the Hurley Memorial Building in Hurley, Wisconsin early in November. That will be followed by similar clinics in Eau Claire and Marshfield, Wisconsin and in Ironwood, Michigan, at which sports writers and boxing coaches from the services and colleges will be invited.

Cliff Eskridge, former Navy Pugilist and '54 inter-service flyweight king, is now fighting as a pro in Washington, D. C. . . . Joe "Boy" Charles, AF featherweight champ from Hamilton AFB, Calif., plans to turn pro some time next year.

BRIDGE GOES UP

Captain John J. McCormick, USN, Officer-in-Charge, has announced the transfer of Navy Chief Journalist Al Spanjer, after three years as Sports Director of the Armed Forces Press, Radio and Television Service.

Chief Spanjer, nas been assigned to the USS Boston, the first guided missile cruiser of the United States Navy. Spanjer is assigned to the Public Information Office in Philadelphia in connection with the commissioning of this new vessel.

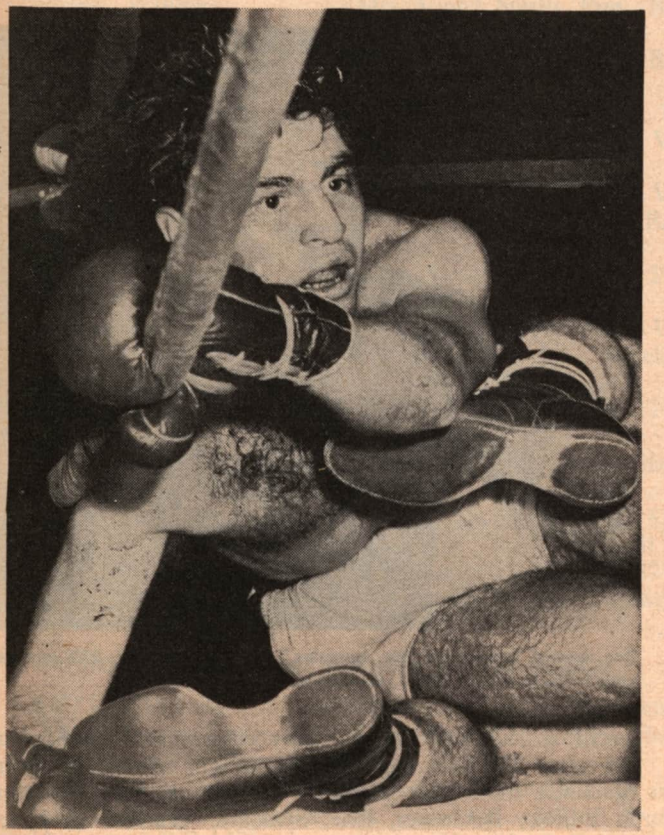
Our good friend Mr. Gordon Bridge has been named Director of Sports to succeed Chief Spanjer. Gordon had been civilian assistant to the Chief, after serving in the similar capacity while in the United States Navy.

We know that Gordon Bridge as well as Spanjer will be a credit, as in the past, with their new assignments.

Candid Shots of the Month's Highlights

FLYING LEATHER

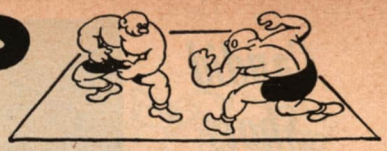
Carl (Bobo) Olson (right), world middleweight champion making his first start since an unsuccessful attempt to lift Archie Moore's light heavy title, defeated Jimmy Martinez. He then trounced Joey Giambra in a close contest.



(Above) Rivers Rolls Along. Neal Rivers racks up his seventh straight win at the expense of cut and bleeding Jimmy King, gaining a unanimous ten rounds decision.

(Left) Foot Fall Season is Here. Rinzy Nocero, former gridiron star, seems to have been tackled for a loss by opponent Paolo Melis in a rough and tumble affair which saw Melis win a ten rounds decision.

THE MAT WORLD



By NAT LOUBET

ON AND AROUND THE MAT . . .

WORD from our good friend Tiger Joe Marsh that the actor and top notch mat star is adding another chapter to his life and is in the process of writing his life story to be entitled "From the Slums of Chicago to Shubert's Alley." . . . Allow us to say that it should be an exciting story on a very interesting life.

We were sorry to hear about the passing on of Ed White, who was the manager of Jim Londos former world champ, and one of wrestling's all-time mat stars.

Added to the list of those who passed on to sportsmen's Valhalla was Alf Johnson, brother of Gus, who passed away in Vancouver recently, mentioned by us previously . . . They will be missed by wrestling and this corner.

Babe Nelson, prexy of the Sharpe Brothers Fan Club, notified us that Ben and Mike have left for a two month stay in Honolulu . . . Hawaiian fans will be treated to some good action from the boys who know how to put on a top show . . . Prior to leaving the U. S. the Sharpes wrestled to a one hour draw with Enrique Torres and Cyclone Anaya in a tag team affair at San Francisco's Coliseum. Anaya pinned Ben with a hammerlock at 29:15 to win the first fall but events were evened up when Ben tossed Torres out of the ring and that worthy was counted out at 17:50.

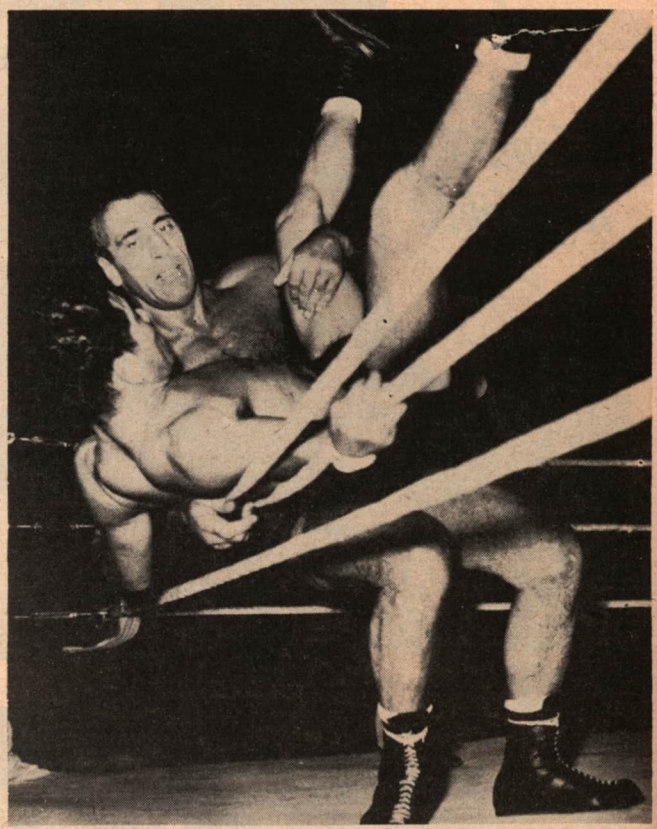
Tokyo, Japan:—The Japanese collegiate all-star team of Judo experts decisively took the measure of the American delegation of Judo choppers by the score by 40 to 20 points. The Americans had won a previous match by the score of 50 to 30 thus evening the tournament as we go to press.

At the Minneapolis Auditorium Big Ike Eakins was defeated by Hard Boiled Haggerty in 14:38. Seconds before that time Haggerty pinned Big Ike for the first fall . . . when the match was continued Ike was thrown out of the ring and Haggerty followed and jumped on him as he lay among the spectators. . . . Haggerty then picked up Eakins and bounced his head on the ring post . . . aided by the necessity of survival, Eakins climbed back into the ring carrying a chair along for ballast. . . . While swinging the chair at Haggerty Eakins hit himself on the head and knocked himself cold. The referee then declared Haggerty the winner on a foul.

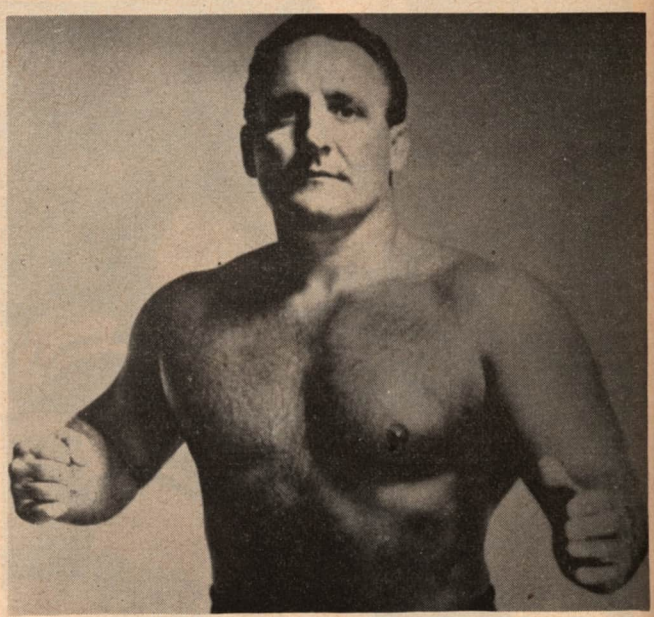
Eakins reversed his bad luck with Haggerty by taking the measure of, the former Minnesota football great, Bronko Nagurski when the latter was disqualified after 17:39. On three different occasions the 270 pound Eakins, who seems to love going through the ropes to commune with the spectators, did just that aided by Nagurski. On returning after his third excursion Bronko charged across the ring bouncing Eakins off the ropes with shoulder blocks. The referee attempted to get Nagurski to break the charges but when he failed to do so the match was awarded to Eakins on a disqualification.

The Baltimore Coliseum was the scene of triumph and defeat for Oyama Kato, the Japanese behemoth. In his first Coliseum appearance Kato was the victor over Angelo Martinelli in twelve minutes with a "Sleeper" hold. In a subsequent showing Kato came off second best in a contest with Antonio Rocca. Rocca has been undefeated at the Coliseum and Kato was unable to break the Argentinian's record. The match went to Rocca on a default when the Japanese's valet, Suki, came to the aid of his master and refused to leave the ring upon the referee's request.

Hugh Shannon writes from Buffalo that the biggest wrestling deal negotiated in many years occurred in September when Ed Don George sold out his interests to Pedro Martinez, his former partner. George has been operating in Buffalo, Rochester, Erie, Syracuse, Watertown, James-



At the Rizal Coliseum in Manila, former heavyweight boxing champ of the world Primo Carnera on the verge of tossing Rashomon, Japanese wrestling star, during their match which resulted in a tame win for Carnera.



Don Arnold, known as "Mr. Hercules," is a six foot six, 235 pounder, who hails from San Diego, California.

town, Elmira and many other places. Martinez will now become the chief booking agent and promoter for practically all upstate mat shows. George is pulling up stakes and moving to Southern California where he is building a new home.

Martinez will run weekly shows in Buffalo and Rochester.

Frank "Tiny" Roberts, 230 pounds, a Camden N. J. busdriver, is a well-liked professional wrestler in the middle Atlantic States. "Tiny" Roberts is a steady training mate of Police Chief Brysen Turner of the Royersford, Penna. Police Department. Police Chief Brysen Turner is a good wrestler of top calibre. The popular, famous police chief is remembered for his gruelling battles for the light-heavy title against "Gentle" John Kilonis back in the good old days of the thirties. . . .

Buddy "Nature Boy" La Rosa of Philadelphia is a top notch heavyweight with an impressive record of windups and wins. He's a former night club and operatic singer, a graduate of the University of Miami where he earned a degree in physical education and competed on the track team. LaRosa wrestled under the name "NATURE BOY" throughout Oklahoma, California, Nevada, Montana and the mid west. He runs an exclusive physical culture studio in Philadelphia and is a weightlifter and all-round athlete.

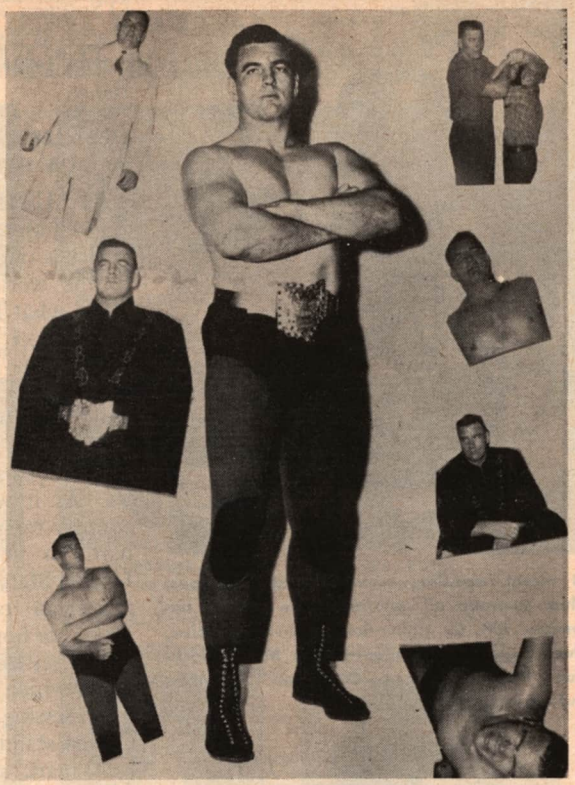
FAN CLUB'S CORNER

Wrestler	Fan Club
Leon Graham	Carol Holmes, Pres., 1075 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus 6, Ohio.
Bill Melby	Don Morrow, Pres., 12 Winfield St., Worcester, Mass.
Jackie Nichols	Ruth Holmes, Pres., 1075 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus 6, Ohio.
Silvers, Sammy	Eileen Steele, Pres., Rt. 7 Bx 285 So. Charleston, W. Va.
Silverstein, Ruffy	Marie Green, Pres., 1177 Minnesota Ave., Columbus, Ohio.
Snyder, Wilbur	Mrs. Violet Smith, Pres., Box 54, Meadow Lands, Pa.
Stanlee, Gene & Steve	Mary Lamirande, Pres., Box 106 Adelphia, N. J.
Tasker, Tiger	Irma Perros, Pres., R. F. D. #3 Cowesett Ave., W. Warick, R. I.
Thesz, Lou	Marilyn Hanson, Pres., 404 W. Washington Ave., Red Oaks, Ia.
Valentine, Johnny	Betty Sanson, Pres., Box 294 St. Albans, W. Va.
Vargas, Billy	Anita Hoffman, Pres., 6566 W. 83rd. Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.
Varsky, Jack	Harriet Smith, Pres., Box 1744 Logan, W. Va.
Wahlberg, Whitey	Mrs. Lenora Cochran, Blanchester, Ohio.
Woods, Jerry	Beverly Shepard, Pres., 517 38th. St., Rock Island, Ill.
Tex "Davy Crockett" Mc Kenzie	Marguret Hall, Pres., 8776 Olentangy River Rd., Powell, Ohio.

WRESTLING CONVENTION COVERED BY PAT SCHNEE

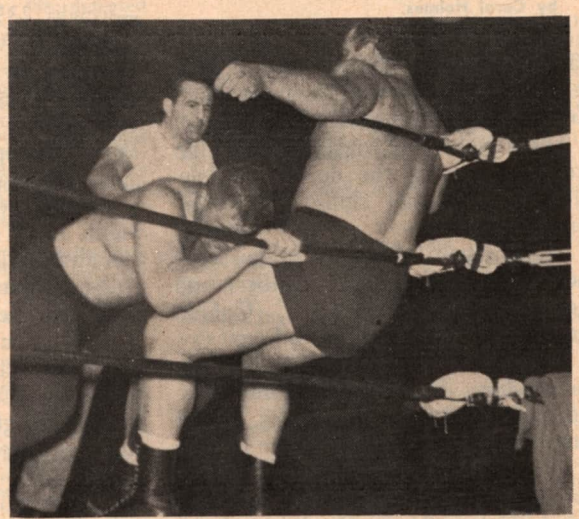
WRESTLING Fan Clubs held their first national convention in Columbus, Ohio in August with better than 125 delegates in attendance.

The convention was co-sponsored by Elizabeth Culp and Joan Stuff, who represent fan clubs for wrestlers Donn Lewin and Bill Miller respectively. The Third Co-sponsor



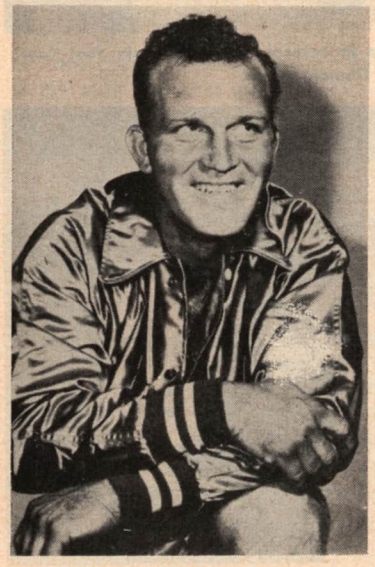
Big Bill Miller, seen in several poses, is a six foot four, 260 pounder, from Fremont, Ohio.

Wilbur Snyder, seen here with the president of his fan club Violet Smith.



Art Michalik fencing in Jesus Ortega, continued to put the pressure on Ortega until he pinned him with a body press.

At recent wrestling convention at Columbus, Ohio, a group of honoraries line up for the camera: left to right—first row—Stan Holek, Chief Big Heart. Center—Donna Marie Dieckman. Back row—Danny O'Sullivan, Bill Miller and Leon Graham.



Leon Graham, who has just had a new fan club started on his behalf headed by Carol Holmes.

was Pat Schnee, who sponsors a publicity fan club for wrestling stars and fans known as Promotions Limited.

There were 35 wrestling fan club presidents among the dozens of delegates—and 60 fan clubs were represented.

The program consisted of fan club meetings for officers and members; and group attendance at WLW-C (Columbus, Ohio) TV Studio Wrestling.

The highlite of the two-day affair was the celebrity dinner for wrestling stars, fan club officials and members. Eight international wrestling stars were present as guests of their fan clubs at the dinner—namely Don Arnold, Chief Big Heart, Donna Marie Dieckman, Leon Graham, Stan Holek, Bill Miller, Danny O'Sullivan and Buddy Rogers. Buddy Rogers is reputed to be one of the highest paid stars in the wrestling profession today.

MEET LEE CHONA LACLAIRE . . .
BY BOB UTTER

BEAUTIFUL! Versatile! Petite! Lee Chona LaClaire in the mind of this writer is one of the most beautiful girls in the world. After seeing her you'll know what I mean.

Born on a farm near Paris, France, Lee Chona lost both of her parents in an auto accident when she was but a child. She was brought up by her aunt.

Her life's ambition from the time she was ten years old was to become a wrestler. As it was difficult to travel from country to country in Europe, and very hard to get a passport in Canada, United States, Cuba, Mexico and South American countries, she decided to make her home in the United States.

She settled in Huntington, West Virginia, which she calls her home.

Possessing raven black hair, Lee Chona stands four inches over the five-foot mark and weighs a slender 135-pounds.

No matter what Miss LaClaire does she is outstanding. In ball-room dancing she is the best. As a swimmer and diver she is excelled by no one. In wrestling her knowledge and movements are surpassed by only three or four in the profession.

Having faced such known competitors as Barbara Baker, Belle Starr, Marie Dieckman and Penny Banner, Lee Chona feels that she is only a step away from a title shot at June Byers.

French pastries and salads are her favorite foods, although she goes for steaks and salads in a big way. Swimming, bowling and dancing are her favorite forms of relaxation.

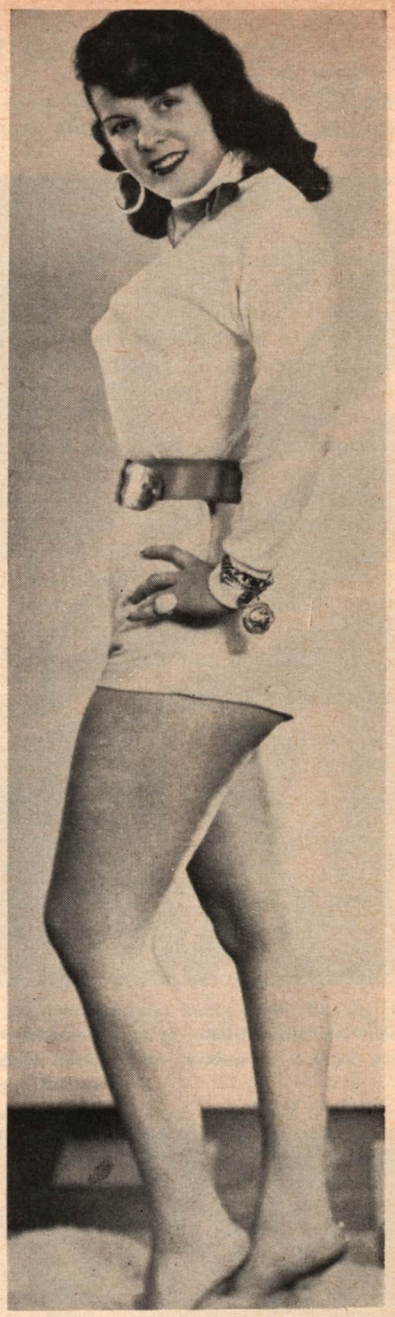
DON ARNOLD

DON "HERCULES" ARNOLD hails from San Diego, California —weighs 235 pounds—stands six foot.

A great favorite in California, he has been quickly climbing in popularity in the Mid-West. An outstanding victory over Big Bill Miller to capture the Mid-West Championship Belt has been of great importance in this climb.

Arnold is deceptive in his ring movements and is extremely fast moving. He can absorb all kinds of punishment and still continues his aggressiveness to go on to win the majority of his matches.

A stand-out in his high school activities Don went on to greater laurels at San Diego College. He won the California Collegiate Wrestling Championship for three straight years; The National AAU Jr. Title and the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate Title; and was runner up in the National AAU Seniors.



Lee Chona LaClaire, a combination of beauty and wrestling ability. She weighs in at 135 pounds and stands five foot five. (Photo by Bob Utter)

Don spent three and one half years in the Army Air Corp. (World War II) as an Athletic Instructor.

He was approached by wrestling promotors in his second year of College but was convinced he wanted to be a Physical Ed teacher. However, by the time he was ready to graduate he decided to enter professional wrestling. He graduated on a Friday and he had his first pro-match the following Monday. The change from amateur to professional was quite a change—a broken nose, (twice), a broken ankle, collar bone and a shoulder out of place—are his injuries up to date.

In the five years since Don turned

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Texas Boxing Enterprises—Ralph Smith, Matchmaker for T.B.E. presented three ten rounders, and a couple of fours on his August 2 show in Houston. In the top ten Al Juergens, 145, San Antonio, scored a good win over the tough Torreon battler, Alfonso Flores, 144. Ray Portilla, 144, Bronx, was aggressive enough to take the nod from the Dayton, Ohio veteran, Eddie Brant, 145. Mel Barker, 145, Manor, was a bit too busy for Lloyd Nelson, 150, Houston, and made a hit with Bayou City fistic followers.

In the fours, Charles Beasley, 135, Houston, won a close one from 18 year old Marvin "Ace" Droddy, 134, Houston, after a whale of a battle. Both are highly regarded youngsters. Carl Foy, 142, Houston, decked lanky Bobby Jones, 149, Tyler, in the third with a thunderous left hook to the jaw and that was it for the night.

▶ Houston, Texas—Texas Boxing Enterprises—Once more Texas Boxing Enterprises showed it's a topflight promotional organization by staging the Teddy "Red Top" Davis and Paul Jorgensen battle. The show attracted 6,500 paying customers, and a gate of $19,000. Rex Braun, the promoter, and Ralph Smith, his very capable matchmaker, can both take a bow.

As for the fight, it was a real thriller, with Davis, the world's third ranking featherweight, taking a ten round split decision over Houston's sensational 20 year old Paul Jorgensen. The fast moving and clever boxing Jorgensen almost pulled this one out of the fire with a tremenduos ninth and tenth round effort.

Referee Charley Roque tabbed Jorgensen, while the two judges gave Red Top a one to two point edge. Both scrappers came in at 127½.

Mel Barker, 150, Manor, was in top shape and won pretty much as he pleased over hard hitting Lester Brown, 148, Houston, who was not in top shape in the under ten.

Undefeated Roy Harris, 180, Cut and Shoot, a fine young heavyweight prospect, punched burly Dick Brown, 196, Amarillo, full of holes before the referee wisely intervened in the third round. You better keep your eye on Roy Harris.

In a thrilling six round battle, Alex Vargas, 142, Galveston, decisioned the tough Guy "Rocky" Guerrette, 145, out of Hartford, Conn. This one had the vast throng on its feet. In the four round curtain raiser, Floyd East, 136, Lake Charles, turned in his finest pro triumph to date by flattening the heavy hitting Santos Perez, 129, Palacious, in three.

▶ Port Arthur, Texas, Kaycee Boxing Club—Paul Jorgensen, 124½, Houston, stopped Joe Boland, 124, San Antonio, in the ninth round to become the State featherweight champ. Jorgensen, one of the country's best young fighters, is the state's top drawing card as evidenced by the gate receipts for this show, $7,200.

In the semi-windup, Harold Williams, 183, stopped Forrest Bridges, 185, in round two. Danny Cira, 147, making only his second pro start, got a unanimous decision over Al Boudreaux, 144, Westwego, La., in a five rounder. In the four round opener, Roland Manuel, 136, beat Lorenzo Hainsworth, 130.

▶ San Antonio, Texas—Jimmy Parks, Promoter—

Jimmy Parks, former manager of Bobby Dykes, staged a splendid card in San Antonio featuring world's ranking welter, Ramon Fuentes and the Alamo City's Al Juergens. Fuentes was the unanimous winner but was never able to drop the rugged Juergens who made a gallant losing effort, and a host of new friends. The Californian weighed 149, Juergens, 143.

Joe Felan, 144, San Antonio, notched another win on the comeback trail by decisioning tough George Carter, 147, Fort Worth, in ten fast rounds. Eddie Brant, 145, Dayton, Ohio, and Danny Cardenas, 138, San Antonio, battled to a six round draw in a wild affair that saw every trick in the book employed by the participants. In four rounders, Frank Valdez, 126, San Antonio, won over Lupe Loera, 126, San Antonio, and Robert Martinez, 160, San Antonio, drew with Byron Steele, 151, San Antonio.

▶ Austin, Texas—L. B. Day Promoter—Johnny Ramos, 127, Austin, hammered out a ten round victory over Joe Govea, 126, San Antonio. In the semi-final, Gil Tapia, 134, defeated Gentleman Jim Brewer, 134, after six rounds of action. Johnny Gaitan, 128, beat Israel Garza, 130, in a four. Frank Duran, 117, kayoed Charles Larry, 118, in the first, and Charles Patterson, 132, beat Ray Pereda, 121, in four.

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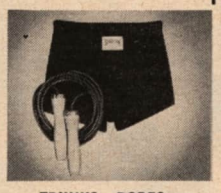

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▶ Waxahachie—Charles Golden, Promoter—Jacky Blair, nationally known Dallas lightweight, made his stay in Waxahachie a brief one by kayoing Ronald Sheffield, (who's he), in round two. Blair scaled 136, and Sheffield, 136. Donnie Fleeman, 176, kayoed Lawrence Johnson, in five. C. Carroll, Jr., 160, decisioned John Womack, 166, in six. Johnny Mooney, 137, won over Andres Reyes, 136, in another six.

▶ San Antonio, Texas—Spencer Vallance, Promoter—

Bobby Dykes, world middleweight contender, stopped Eusebio "Chebo" Hernandez, of Juarez, in the fifth round. Dykes retained his Texas middleweight crown, while coming in at 159 to 160 for his Mexican opponent. In the semi-windup Mel Barker, 145, tacked another win onto his ever growing list of victims in the person of Danny Cardenas, 140, after ten rounds.

In a six, Harold Woodson, 169, defeated Gil de la Garza, 168. Robert Martinez, 160, beat Willie McLeod, 163, in four rounds.

▶ Dallas, Texas—Lew Gray, Promoter—Reagan "Buddy" Turman, 179, Tyler, scored a ten round win over Wm. "Red" Worley, 177, San Angelo, with Jack Dempsey the third man in the ring. The bout drew close to $4,000, and was a thriller. Tommy Barron, 160, Dallas, beat John Victor Penn, 159, Houston, in a hotly contested eight rounder. Lamone "Babe" Vance, 149, Quinland, kayoed Glen Johnson, 150, Houston, in the fourth.

Ted Dean, 127, beat Rudy Gonzales, 126, in six. Johnny Mooney, 136, got the nod over the Houston clown, Carl Foy, 142, in a crowd pleasing four, and Dave Wilkins, 151, Dallas, edged Bobby Jones, 151, Tyler, in the four round opener.

▶ El Paso, Texas—Jimmy Erwin, Promoter—Ludwig Lightburn, 138, British Honduras, a real good fighter was brought into El Paso by Promoter Jimmy Erwin and promptly scored a ten round win over Mexico's Juan Padilla, 139.

In other bouts, Lloyd Kirkpatrick, 154, beat Ramon Perez, 146, six rounds. Lorenzo Alonzo, 144, decisioned Howard Prestwood, 150, six rounds. Reynaldo Terrasas, 132, won over Selvino Rodriguez, 127, four rounds, and Jose Quesada, 133, defeated Enrique Cardenas, 138, in the opening four.

▶ Fort Worth, Texas—Dick Dixson, Promoter—

Ray Riojas, Gene Ritchmond's great young lightweight, won the State 135 pound title by scoring a 12 round victory over Cesar Saavedra of Torreon, Mexico. Riojas had no trouble whatsoever as he won every round with the exception of the ninth. Riojas tipped the beam at 134, Saavedra scaled 132.

Kid Campeche, 125, Mexico, looked great in kayoing Johnny Mooney, 131, Dallas, in three rounds. Floyd East, 136, Lake Charles, and Pat Garza Brown, 135, Victoria, staged one of the night's most thrilling battles with East gaining a fifth round tkayo. Brown was up without a count in the fifth after getting dropped by an East right hand, but the referee halted the contest over the protest of the Victoria lightweight. Frank Lawson, 170, beat McKinley Cleveland, 178, in four rounds, and Henry Parsons, 149, stopped Walter Lee Walker, 142, in the first.

▶ Port Arthur, Texas—Kaycee Boxing Club—Lamoine "Babe" Vance, 146, Quinland, stopped Danny Cardenas, 142, San Antonio, in the seventh round of the main go. Harold Williams, 183, beat John Mason, 185, in six round semi. Danny Cira, 148, Orange, defeated Carrol "Frenchy" Labouve, 142, Port Arthur, in six, and Baltazar Flores, Jr., 128, stopped John Moro, 126, in three rounds.

▶ Around the fight circle. . . . Irish Johnny McKoin, Bastrop, Louisiana's miniature Marciano, all set to invade Texas rings. He should do okay down this way with his aggressive style. He is a lightweight. . . . Would like to hear from any of my old buddies off the USS Pondera (APA-191) of World War II days, also, from Richard "Buddy" Bearden who was a great service scrapper and who served aboard the USS Bracken.

Guy Guerrette is back in training. Guerrette is a rough customer when he wants to be as his lengthy kayo record around Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island will testify. . . . Stan Jones, who is Texas' top Negro fighter, has never lost a fight to a middleweight in eight years of punch-for-pay battling. He has lost but to four men in his career. He is having a tough time getting bouts with the headliners.

SEEN ON TELEVISION

By LEW ESKIN

Words of wisdom are given Gene Poirier, by former middleweight champion and TV star Rocky Graziano.

GENE POIRIER

A STIFF puncher with either hand Gene Poirier has become a favorite of the TV viewers with his thrill providing style.

Gene, 24 years old was born and still resides in Niagara Falls, N. Y., one of five children, he was a star halfback on his high school football team as well as an outstanding amateur boxer. Poirier scored 26 kayos while racking up 32 wins in 37 simon-pure bouts. He captured a number of titles including the Buffalo Golden Gloves 147 pound title in 1950.

He started his pro career in 1951 and was unbeaten in seven bouts winning five including a decision over the recently dethroned welter king Tony DeMarco. All but two of his fights were in Canada and after boxing a draw with Pat Manzi he was inducted into the Army.

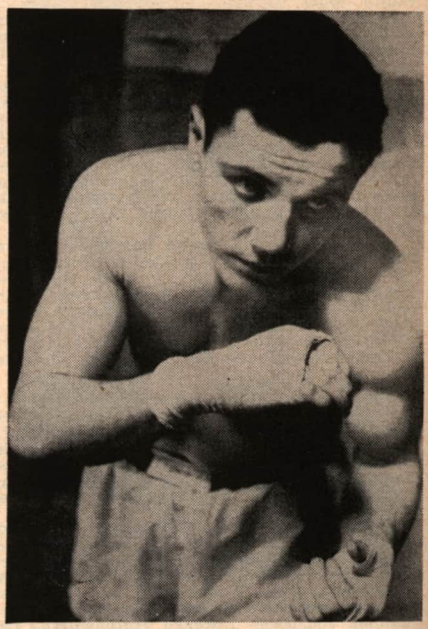
The next two years saw Gene doing his battling with the 25th. Infantry Division in Korea where he advanced to the rank of Platoon Sergeant and won three battle stars and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Returning from service, he was too anxious to get back in action and took a fight before getting into condition and was kayoed in the first round by Henry Hank. However, he wasn't discouraged and came to New York where he placed himself under the managership of Irving Cohen, who turned him over to Freddy Brown to train. Gene closed out 1954 with three straight wins over Jojo White, Sonny Lord and Bill Neri.

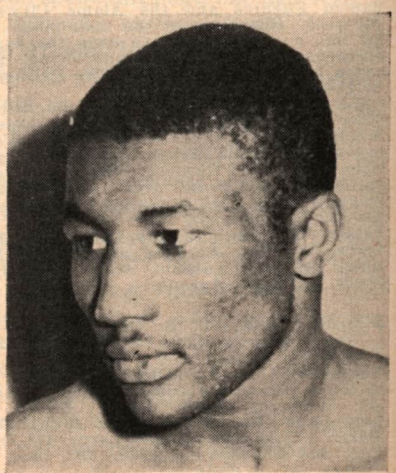
Wins this year over Bobby Dalton, and Benny Washington convinced Cohen and Brown that he was ready to move up, and he made his main bout and TV debut with a three round kayo of Johnny Busso, followed with a four-round kayo over Miguel Diaz.

Then he fought a thriller with the unbeaten Argentina champion Oscar Pita. Gene floored Oscar three times only to run out of gas and be stopped in eight rounds. He bounced back to whip Danny Jo Perez, and was well on his way to a victory over Danish welterweight king Chris Christensen, when a badly cut eye forced the doctor to stop the bout at the end of the sixth round.

This solidly built puncher looks and fights somewhat like the former middleweight king Tony Zale. An odd note is that Zale's greatest rival Rocky Graziano is one of Poirier's ardent rooters and often takes time to show Gene tricks of the trade.



Ray Drake, a middleweight, who made a successful debut in Madison Square Garden when TV fans saw him decisively win over Danny Giovanelli.



Al (Sugar) Wilson, durable welterweight scrapper from Englewood, N. J., well liked by video fans.

RAY DRAKE

A PROMISING middleweight scrapper from Brooklyn, with a large following, Ray Drake has made two fine showings in his Video bouts.

In his TV debut last winter, Ray was pitted against top-notcher Gil Turner, who was in the midst of a comeback. For seven rounds Ray more then held his own, but Gil's experience and the fast pace caught up with Drake in the ninth round when the referee halted the contest.

Since then he has come along to rack up five straight wins, his last was an impressive triumph over Danny Giovanelli in his main bout debut at Madison Square Garden.

Drake was born 25 years ago in Brooklyn where he still makes his home with his wife Helen and their 2 year old son Peter. They are expecting another addition any minute. A mild mannered young man outside of the ring, he is a rough brawler inside the roped square.

An excellent amateur with a record of 40 wins out of 43 bouts, including three over Floyd Patterson, while winning over a half dozen titles. He had no thought of becoming a professional boxer until his schooling was interrupted after one year at Syracuse University when he was drafted into the Air Forces. Ray served three years as a radio technician and was discharged as a Staff Sergeant.

Married while still in the service, Ray decided to turn to boxing for a living and made his professional bow in August of 1953. He scored eight straight wins before losing to Angelo Urgitano. Two fights later he reversed that loss and quickly reached main event status in the smaller clubs.

He engaged in three action packed semi-final eight rounders in the Garden with his boro rival Rinzi Nocero, winning the first and dropping close verdicts in the others.

Possessor of a stiff left jab and a sharp right cross, he has scored 21 wins in 25 bouts. Drake is going to resume his studies this month at St. John's University to earn his degree in Electrical Engineering.

AL (SUGAR) WILSON

A STRONG body puncher, Al Wilson, crowd pleasing 27 year old welterweight from Englewood, N. J., has appeared on the video screen 9 times. Although he has been returned the victor in only 3 of these bouts, each has been a close, hard fought battle that has earned him another chance.

Wilson, a crafty infighter, with a good short left hook to the ribs, is no kayo puncher but his fists pack power, as Jimmy Champagne whom he kayoed in less than a minute last winter can attest. In 41 fights Al has been stopped only once, that on a cut eye in 7 rounds by Wilfredo Miro in his sixth fight.

Born in Mt. Pleasant, S. C. Wilson has grown up in Englewood, N. J., where following his graduation from High School he entered the Army in 1944 and served two years, mostly in the Philippines, where he first became interested in boxing, and where he captured the Philippines service lightweight title.

After he returned home, Al entered Pace College in Brooklyn to study Business Administration and resumed his boxing career by entering the Golden Gloves. It was in the semi-finals that he suffered his only amateur loss out of 32 bouts.

The summer of 1948 saw Al launch his professional career and score five straight wins before being stopped by Miro. Since then he has fought most of the top men in the 147 and 160 pound classes, winning from Charley Smith, Ted Murray, Phil Burton, Bobby Lloyd, Charley Thompson, fighting draws with Sammy Walker and Al Mobley and losing to Ramon Fuentes, Maurice Harper, Johnny Bratton, Randy Sandy and Charley Williams.

In three bouts this year he dropped a close decision to Ronnie Delaney, and upset Pat Lowry in a torrid punching duel. Then lost to Isaac Bogart.

Married and the father of a three year old girl, he now works in the Administration Office of a Veterans Hospital in New York City but hopes that he will soon be able to go into the Real Estate and Insurance Business for himself.

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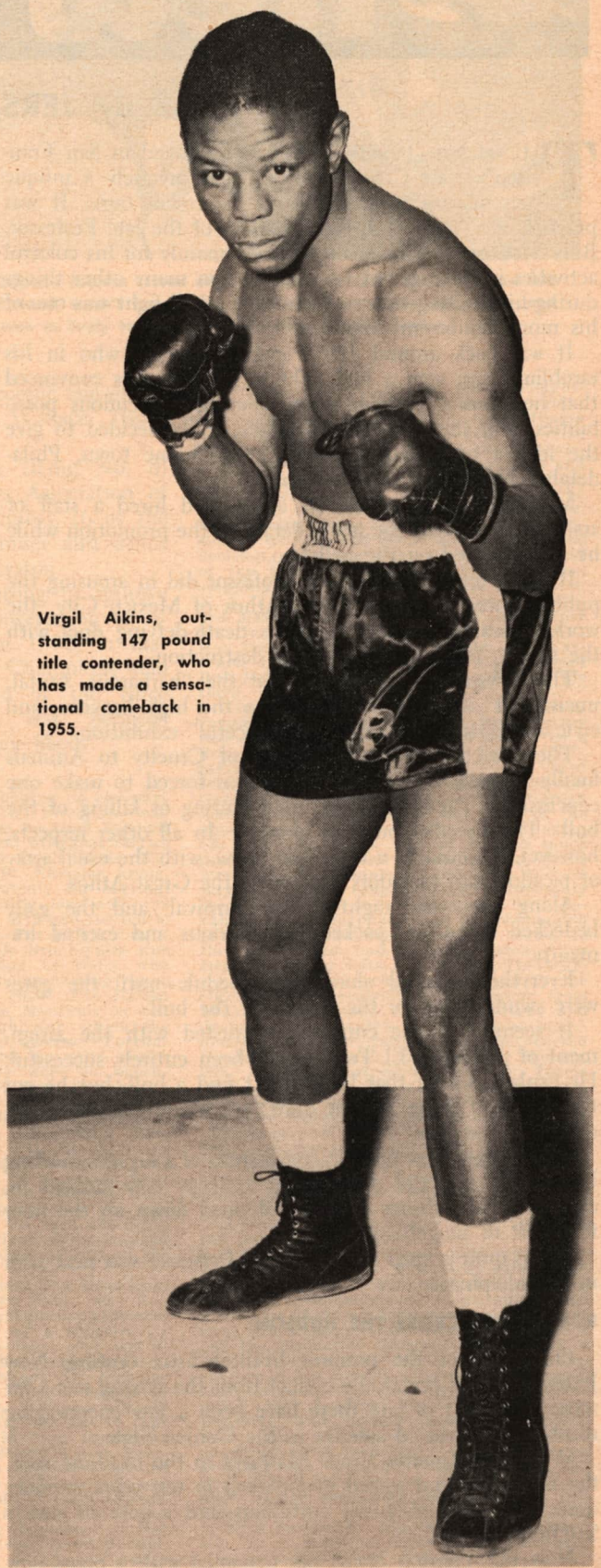


Virgil Aikins, outstanding 147 pound title contender, who has made a sensational comeback in 1955.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

THE recent "bloodless" bull fight staged in San Francisco's vast Cow Palace was not precisely a unique presentation in these United States of ours. It was practically a "steal" from the archives of the late Professor. Billy McCarney, who is remembered mainly for his colorful activities in boxing, but who dabbled in many other things during his exciting career. Promoting a bull fight was one of his more flamboyant ventures.

It was back around 1907, and McCarney, who in his ramblings had seen a bull fight in Mexico, was convinced that here was a thrilling show offering tremendous possibilities with the American populace. Billy decided to give the idea a trial, and selected his old home town, Philadelphia, for the auspicious occasion.

McCarney arranged for an arena, and hired a staff of assistants to handle the many details of the promotion while he concentrated on the ballyhoo.

It was a terrific job the old Professor did in arousing the public's interest in the "Great Athos of Mexico City, the world's greatest matador, and his death-defying duel with the savage, fire-snorting beast of destruction."

The newspapers blasted away at the "barbarous, brutal, uncivilized" affair, and called upon the high heavens, and civic authorities, to halt the "disgraceful" exhibition.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals finally stepped in, and McCarney was forced to make one concession. There would be no torturing or killing of the bull. The swords would be blunted. In all other respects, however, it would be a legitimate show, with the usual array of picadors and toreadors supporting the Great Athos.

Along came the night of the carnival, and the gaily bedecked arena was packed with curious and excited humanity.

Everything moved along per schedule—until the gates were swung open for the advent of the bull.

It seems that the employee entrusted with the assignment of procuring El Toro hadn't been entirely successful. He explained later that he couldn't find a bull, but he got the next best thing, and he didn't see where it made much difference, anyway.

So the gates were opened, but instead of a savage, snorting breather of fire and destruction, a sleepy cow ambled in, casually looked things over, and flopped down on the floor for a bit of peaceful relaxation.

It was quite a spell before the old Professor was next seen in Philadelphia.

RUMBLINGS ACROSS THE HUDSON

Once one of the nation's liveliest fistic centers, New Jersey has been practically extinct from the boxing scene for some time, but of late there have been a few encouraging rumblings of revived activity in the Garden State.

With local favorite Vince Martinez in the headline spot, the first fight card staged in Paterson in ten years or more drew an estimated 4,000 customers and a gate of nearly $10,000.

Now the Trenton Arena has reopened with a brand-new promoter and popular Duke Stefano as matchmaker. The club plans to operate every two weeks, with Stefano concentrating on the development of young local talent.

The Paterson promotion was a "one-shot" venture, but it did so well it may lead to further activity in the Silk City. The card, staged in outdoor Hinchcliffe Stadium, was sponsored by the National Guard, of which Martinez is a member. The turnout was well rewarded by a lively battle in the windup and a stunning surprise in the semi-final.

It was the first time Martinez had ever boxed professionally in his home town, and he wasn't expected to have much trouble with his opponent, Bob Provizzi, whose aggressive, club-fighting style figured to be made to order for the shifty, sharpshooting Patersonian. As it happened, however, Martinez had a busy time and a few rough moments before earning Referee Paul Cavalier's decision in ten rounds.

The real news of the night was the disaster which overtook Johnny DiGilio, popular Bayonne lightweight, in the semi-final. The affair was supposed to be merely a mild tuneup for DiGilio, a frequent semi-finalist in Madison Square Garden and once a main-eventer at St. Nicholas Arena. His opponent was an ordinary preliminary kid from Long Island, Bernie Lynn. DiGilio figured to take Lynn out of there in a hurry. But strange things happened. In the brief space of 1:05 of one round, it was three downs and out for Johnny.

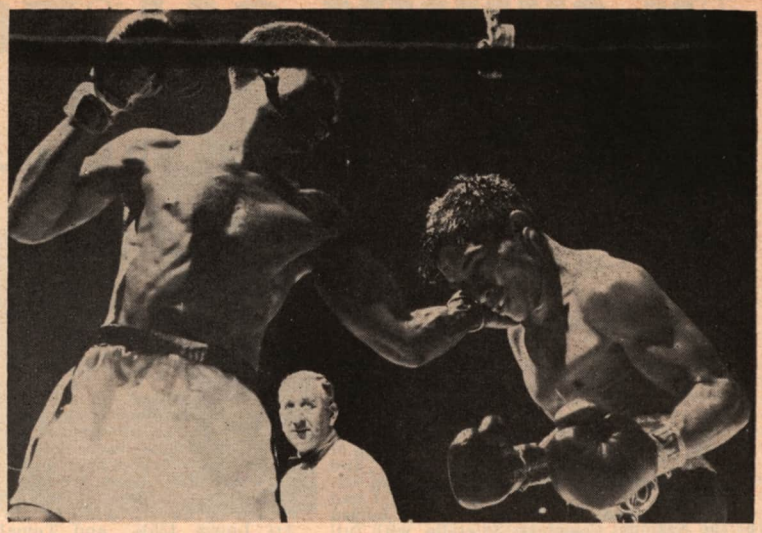
OUT OF THE MAIL BAG

From "Duke" Mercer, Cleveland: "I'm still in the Army, temporarily back in the United States and stationed at the Ravenna Arsenal. I'd like to promote a few fight cards in the Cleveland-Akron area before I return to Italy in January. The gyms here are crowded with fighters, but they don't get many chances to work. Akron hasn't been active lately and the only shows in Cleveland are when the Arena gets a national TV hookup with the I.B.C., which isn't often. At a result, the kids are discouraged. Maybe I can run a few small-time cards and help revive activity. I did a lot of promoting during my three years in Italy. In 1952 I staged seventeen pro cards in Livorno (Leghorn), as well as eight amateur shows. In 1953 I put on twenty-four pro and fourteen amateur programs in Naples. (One match was between Mario D'Agata and Luigi Fasulo for the Italian bantam title.) In 1954 I promoted twenty-two pro cards in Naples, one in Firenze (Florence) and one in Salerno; also (for benefits) the 1954 Italian Novice Championships and an American military card for an orphanage in Naples. I believe I am the only American to hold a license from the Italian Boxing Federation."

From Eddie Cerda, Veracruz, Mexico: "Your comments about the 'old men' still fighting have inspired me to take another chance in the ring. I'm only 43, and by today's standards am still young enough to try. I quit boxing ten years ago, and for the last eight years have been in Veracruz, teaching at the Navy School, working on a railroad, and raising a family. (I now have seven kids, with another on the way.) I've kept myself in pretty good condition, and am sure I

can still fight. I start my comeback in Veracruz against Mario Ramon, who did some boxing in New York a few years ago. I'd like another match with my old rival, Kid Azteca It's twenty-one years since we fought in Mexico City, and I still think I'm a better fighter than he is."

From Maurie Waxman, Loch Sheldrake, N. Y.: "I guess things haven't been so noisy along the Broadway boxing beat since I left town. I've been here for the last year, as co-owner of the Overlook Hotel, a beautiful vacation spot in the heart of the Catskills. I haven't gotten away entirely from boxing, and have been giving considerable thought to an outdoor arena in this locality, capable of seating up to 5,000, and staging wrestling as well as boxing cards. There is tremendous interest here in sports, and I'm sure such an arena would be successful. If I go ahead with my plans, my partner will be another rabid sports fan, Sol Epstein, who runs a toy and gift shop in Liberty. Will let you know what develops."



Veteran Orlando Zulueta scored often with lefts to Cisco Andrade's jaw but one good hand wasn't enough to offset opponent's two busy fists and Andrade won in lively ten-rounder in Madison Square Garden.

THIS AND THAT

Buzzings around town that Eastern Parkway Arena may be back in circulation shortly with another TV deal. Reports have it that the local outlet will be the *Daily News'* station, WPIX. If things materialize, Teddy Brenner will again handle the matchmaking assignment.

Prosperity note: Paul Jorgenson, local favorite, pitted against his first "name" opponent, Teddy (Red Top) Davis, attracted a $19,000 gate in Houston, Texas. Too ringwise for the youngster, Davis won the decision, but the bout was so keenly fought a return match is now pending, and predictions are the box-office will do from $25,000 to $30,000 worth of business this time.

Although he has only a few months more to wait—until next March—before he becomes 20 and eligible for ten rounds in New York State, Larry Boardman, promising Connecticut lightweight, is a bit impatient. The kid feels he is ready now to step out with Big Time competition. Billy Brown, I.B.C. matchmaker, is interested in the young man as a future box-office attraction. "We've been waiting a long time for a good Jewish fighter, and from what I've heard this kid may be the answer," says Billy.

From a press release on the opening of Mickey Walker's new bar-and-grill, "Glove and Palette", on Broadway: 'Mickey, who took a course in architecture at Columbia University before becoming a fighter, designed the interior himself." Humph! Didn't know they had kindergarten at Columbia. Mickey started fighting when he was 16.

The good old doctor, Jack Kearns, shows no sign of losing his touch. He has taken over the management of southpaw Kenny Lane, the Michigan lightweight who has become one of the top contenders for Wallace (Bud) Smith's laurels.

New York Chapter (Ring No. 8) of the Veteran Boxers Association of America has set November 26 as the date for its annual dinner and dance at the Hotel Park Sheraton.

With Lousiana refusing to approve "mixed bouts," it is interesting to recall that 'way back in 1892, in that celebrated Carnival of Champions held in New Orleans, one of the three championship bouts was between George Dixon and Jack Skelly.

THE month's results:

Any resemblance to boxing on the part of Rinzy Nocero, 150½, Brooklyn, was strictly a hallucination as he tried football rushes, wrestling grips and billygoat tactics in a futile effort to beat Paolo Melis, 150, Italy, in a messy ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Nocero was warned repeatedly for butting, shoving, holding and hitting low, and was penalized two rounds, the fifth and the tenth, for his unethical behavior. For all his roughness, the strong but crude Brooklynite was given a thorough drubbing by Melis, who had no trouble outboxing him at long range and outpunching him in close. The Italian visitor, now domiciled in Montreal, scored often with a sneaky right for which the wide-open Nocero had no defense. Fortunately for Rinzy, there was no solid power in Melis' punches. There were no knockdowns, but Nocero, off-balance, tumbled to the canvas in the ninth, and both fighters, entangled in a clinch, fell down together in the tenth. Carlos Ortiz, 136½, East Side, decisioned Armand Bush, 141, Brooklyn, in the semi-final six. In fours, Genorace Armstrong, 158½, Elizabeth, N. J., won from Ted Danner, 161½, Brooklyn; Tommy Danetti, 177½, Brooklyn, stopped Billy Phillips, 175½, Harlem, at 1:34 of the first, and Billy Montella, 158½, Long Island City, finished Bobby Gomez, 154, Brooklyn, at 1:34 of the second.

▶Showing for the first time in a local ring, **Neal Rivers, 156, Niagara Falls, who had been doing most of his fighting in California,** accounted for something of a surprise by mauling his way to a decision over world-traveler Jimmy King, 154½, Birmingham, Ala., in a scrambling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. King, just back from a couple of years of campaigning in Europe, was expected to prove too shifty for Rivers, but what the latter lacked in ring finesse he more than equalized in strength and determination. He forced the fighting from the start, kept King on the defense, and was well in the lead at the end of eight rounds. Until then it had been a slow, unexciting affair, but things really happened in the ninth. Midway through the round a combination punch-slip sent King skidding to the canvas. Up at two, he took an eight-count. As Rivers piled in, apparently thinking King was ready for the finisher, Jimmy nailed him flush on the chin with a terrific left hook. Down went Neal as though pole-axed. He stumbled up groggily at nine and reeled around on rubbery legs, but King, arm-weary, dog-tired and bleeding from an ugly gash over his left eye, let him recover. Rivers rallied from that near-disastrous episode to win the last round and wrap up the decision. The semi-final six ended at 1:07 of the fourth, Lou Perry, 167, Brooklyn, stopping Bruce Damphier, 166¼, Lyndhurst, N. J. Jimmy Piper, 138¼, Brooklyn, whipped Mannie Davis, 138½, Bronx, in another six. In fours, Art Oubre, 138½, Bunkie, La., won from Abdou Ali, 137, Arabia, and Warrenell Lester, 181½, Bel Air, Md., stopped Roy Bullock, 181½, Freeport, at 2:36 of the third.

▶What was expected to be a rousing "grudge fight" between rival Brooklynites and former stablemates turned out to be a drab, mauling match with Ray Drake, 156¾, taking the decision from a surprisingly inept Danny Giovanelli, 153¾, in a Madison Square Garden ten. It was Drake's first Garden main-event, and he made the most of the opportunity. He won by outhustling Giovanelli. The bout was marred by too much pushing, hauling and clinching, and Drake was warned a couple of times by Referee Ray Miller for roughhousing. Supposedly the better boxer and sharper puncher, Giovanelli was a disappointment in his sluggish performance. He was repeatedly beaten to the punch and had a weak defense for Drake's looping lefts and rights. The nearest thing to a knockdown occurred in the eighth when Giovanelli, backing away from Drake, was clipped by a long right and dropped on his panties, but he was up immediately and Miller, calling it a slip, ordered the fight to continue. In sixes, Ike Thomas, 200, Harlem, outfumbled Johnny Yorck, 203¼, Norristown, Pa., and Eddie Antonetti, 137½, Puerto Rico, decisioned Stanley Smith, 134, New Haven, Conn. In another six, cut to four because of TV time, Caspar Ortega, 146½, Mexico, whipped Frank Bombiani, 151, Ambridge, Pa. In other fours, Benny Washington, 147½, Brooklyn, beat Jose Lopez, 148, East Side, and Lou Perry, 168, drew with a Bronx rival, Mickey McGrath, 164. The attendance looked about 2,000 and the gross gate $6,000.

▶Featuring neighborhood kids with personal followings, the Astoria Sporting Club finally reported a "winning" card when an estimated 2,000 customers turned out for the final show of the outdoor season at Eintracht Oval. The exact receipts were not announced but the promoters declared that cleared a profit of "about $200" for their only winning venture in five non-TV programs at Freeport and Eintracht. The main event was a slow, drab affair between Tony Cagliardo, 182, Brooklyn, and Johnny Orgen, 198, Bronx. After eight rounds marred by too much clinching and mauling, Cagliardo was awarded the decision. Destino Lois, 153, East Side, won from Joe Savato, 154, Yonkers, in the semi-final six. Al Ware, 126, Cincinnati, O., decisioned Baby Beau Jack (George Seabrook), 125, Harlem, in another six. In a batch of fours, Mike Campbell,

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

DOTS AND DASHES—Bobo Olson didn't exactly cover himself with glory in that scrap with Joey Giambra, and one local scribe now picks Sugar Ray Robinson to dethrone him on November 4th, at Chicago . . . Could be . . . How have the mighty fallen! . . . Less than a year ago, Bobo was described as the "best fighter, pound for pound, in boxing" . . . The decision in the Giambra fight met with plenty of criticism in the Southland . . . well, maybe fights look different on TV . . .

▶ His many friends were deeply saddened by the death of Tony Entenza, chairman of the California Athletic Commission and thrice appointed to that body by three different governors . . . Tony was 75, and had been ill for many months . . . He was buried at the National Cemetery, Sawtelle, with full military honors . . . A veteran of the Spanish-American War, Tony was prominent in the organization of the V.F.W. He was a spendid citizen, held many important offices. He was loved and respected by all who knew him . . .

▶ Ralph Dupas, the New Orleans lightweight, has moved bag and baggage to Los Angeles and plans henceforth to campaign from this state . . . His reason is sound: mixed matches are not allowed in Louisiana, and Dupas hopes for a crack at the lightweight crown, at this writing held by Wallace (Bud) Smith . . . I say at this writing because he has a rematch coming up with Jimmy Carter . . . and we all know what Carter does in these rematches with guys who snatch his title! . . .

▶ Major Jimmie Wilson, licensed California referee and a Korean War veteran, inaugurates "Champion Gym", a half-hour TV boxing program, which will appear on Channel 11, KTTV, every Saturday at 10 a.m. . . . One of the features of Jimmie's show: a "Mystery Boxer", masked, who will box a round or two . . . Viewers will be challenged to identify him, with prizes for the winners . . . The boys will pitch in to help Major Jimmie, that's for sure.

▶ Bud Furillo, Herald-Express sports scribe, did a fine feature on old Wirt "One Shot" Ross . . . It was well written and most entertaining, full of amusing anecdoes . . .

▶ Referee Dynamite Jackson is now in the real estate business at 2223 West Jefferson Street, Los Angeles . . . A nice boost on the TV broadcast from the Olympic Auditorium, authored by Gary Goodwin, brought Dynamite half a dozen clients the following day . . . The big fellow has lots of friends, in and out of boxing . . .

▶ Jimmy Murray and Lou Thomas, who co-promoted the Marciano-Cockell title fight with the I.B.C. in San Francisco on May 16, have taken over the Winterland Arena in San Francisco . . . They'll get plenty of cooperation from Southland promoters, for Jimmy and Lou are very popular in that area . . . Murray and Thomas have the distinction of promoting the two shows with the biggest gates in California ring history: Marciano-Cockell, which grossed $196,000, and Ezzard Charles-Pat Valentino in 1949, which drew $167,870. . . .

For their first show, September 29th, Murray and Thomas are featured Floyd Patterson vs Dave Whitlock . . . Patterson made a smash hit here when he knocked out Esau Ferdinand . . . The following week, October 6th, Ramon Fuentes vs Chris Christensen headlined. . . .

▶ The special meeting of the State Athletic Commission to consider a possible change in the scoring system was postponed, due to the death of beloved Tony Entenza, the chairman . . . It seems very unlikely that California will change from the 11-point system now in use . . . the so-called "Australian system" . . . Vast majority of California boxing men are ag'in any change.

▶ "Havana, here I come!" said Lauro Salas, following his 7th round TKO over Epifanio Garcia of Mexico, at the Olympic Auditorium, Salas, 127½; Garcia, 127¾. This was the blackout bout of the night.

Salas had bouts booked in Havana, as well as Caracas, Venezuela, and left by plane the morning after his fight with Garcia. Garcia, making his local debut, was imported by Baron Henry von Stumme, a guy who's always in there, trying. One of these days the Baron will come up with a good one.

There wasn't too much action until the 7th Garcia proved a difficult target. Finally, however, Lauro nailed him in the body with a terrific left; droped him for a count of eight. Epifanio got up, but only to be droped a few moments later with a right uppercut.

In the televised ten, Ruben Salazar, 126½, broke the deadlock with Billy Evans, 123½, by scoring the unanimous verdict. In previous meetings, each had scored a win. Ruben's left jab proved a potent weapon.

The fours: Rory Calhoun, 156½, decisioned Russ Gillam, 151½; Joe Abasta, 136, racked up his 7th straight win by trouncing Art Lopez, 135½; and Tomahawk Turner, 123½, full-blooded Winnebago Indian, drew with Sal Juarez, 125.

▶ To the complete surprise of no one, Don Jordan, 144, state lightweight champ, scored the unanimous decision over Woody Winslow, 146, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Winslow got the job on the strength of his surprising kayo over Ramon Tiscareno recently. There was no question about the verdict. There were no knockdowns.

Jordan defeated Joe Miceli in his last scrap, as a 2-1 underdog. Right now he's a threat in two divisions, lightweight and welter.

In the six-round semi, Ray Greco, 144½, scored a 4-round TKO over Sam Lockhart, 144, Stockton. The fours: Hank Aceves, 124½, KO (1) over Stanley Davis, 123; Eddie Hernandez, 130¼, decisioned Bobby Satchel, 127½; and Jake Sanchez, 146, decisioned Eddie Duncan, 144½.

▶ Oakland—A low blow by young Ralph Dupas of New Orleans cost him a decision over Leonard Gaines of Oakland last night in a fast 10-round lightweight match.

Referee Jack Silva scored it a draw. Silva, the only judge, had Dupas ahead 55½ to 54½ but took away one point because of the low blow. There were no judges—only a referee.

Gaines, 136 bored in through the fight but the 139-pound Dupas had control and danced deftly out of reach. There were no knockdowns.

Gaines is a Golden Gloves graduate. The bout was poorly attended, only 1395 spectators watching the affair. The paid attendance was $3287.50 thus hitting Promoter Tabor's bank roll with a bang.

Dupas made his usual back pedaling fight for nine rounds and didn't open up with a real attack until the tenth when he realized he must stand his ground to win. He had the better of that round but was cut on the right eye during an exchange. It was Gaines' fourteenth pro bout and the youngster did very well against an opponent who was quoted a 6 to 1 favorite.

Vince Bonomo, 142½, New Orleans stablemate of Dupas and Dave Wagoner, 145, waged a terrific six round semifinal that ended in a draw. Bonomo was penalized two points in the final frame for striking a low blow. Wagoner, visibly hurt, was given a five-minute rest.

Billy Walker, 129, edged Babe Ortiz, 124, in another six. It was close, with Ortiz making the fight in the last three sessions.

George Sullivan, 140, held to a draw by Kenny Wills, 140, two months ago, won a decision in a spirited four round rematch.

Tommy Villa, 164, and Gilbert Padilla, 161, banged each other often and hard in an opener, won by the former via the decision route.

▶ NuNu Randle, fast punching featherweight, usually rates cheers from the fans of his hometown Richmond, but when he was given the verdict after ten rounds against Julian Velasquez of Los Angeles, 2852 fans let loose with a chorus of boos. This demonstration was evidence of the closeness of the encounter, which was the headliner at Richmond's Auditorium. Weights: Randle, 131, Velasquez, 132.

Johnny Munro promoted the program, which drew $3352.

Referee Frankie Carter, the only arbiter, called it 56-54.

Many observers thought Velasquez deserved the victory on account of his aggressiveness. There were no knockdowns, but Randle bled from the nose after the fourth round.

Undefeated Lyle Mackin, 148, Oakland, KO'd James Howard, 150, Berkeley, in 1:47 of the first session in the scheduled six round semi-final.

In a six, Manuel Battista, 129, drew with Cleo Lane, 128. Jimmy Abeyta, 115, outpointed Tony Duran, 117, in 4.

▶ When the announcer said "another contest to follow" after introducing Bobo Olsen and Joey Giambra at San Francisco's Cow Palace, it was merely an incidental remark to several million television viewers who would not see this battle.

But it represented an important milestone in the career of Eddie Machen, from Redding, Calif. This promising performer, with seven straight knockouts, was up against the wily veteran, Frank Buford in the ten round finale of the Cow Palace program.

Machen weighed 198, Buford, 225. In the early rounds Buford used his weight and experience to good advantage, but he was slowed up considerably at the halfway point when the youngster started getting the range. In the eighth Machen dropped Buford with a volley of punches, and was awarded a technical Kayo.

Approximately 6000 fans attended, the gate grossing $21,400. This was in addition to the television "take". Bennie Ford promoted the program.

Bobby Saunders, 142, outpunched Timmie Jefferson, 141, to take an eight-round decision. Tommy Flores, 137, and Chuck Courtney, 143, went six rounds to a draw.

Chuck Howell, 171, outpointed John Carroll, 173, in the four-round opener.

▶ Frozen-face Charley Sawyer, 146, racked up his fourth straight knockout at the Olymvic Auditorium when he flattened Ike Jenkins, 146, of New York, in the 6th round of a scheduled ten.

Jenkins spent most of his time covering up. But the end was inevitable; Sawyer, in search of a "money match", stalked his prey until he finally got a chance to cross his right on Ike's chin. That was the pay-off punch. Ike went down for four, but was in obvious trouble as he staggered to his feet. Referee Dynamite Jackson stopped the fight.

In the companion ten, televised, Jose Luis Cotaro scored the decision over youthful Gil Velarde. Cotero, 128; Velarde, 129½. It was Cotero's second win over Gil; the first, at Ocean Park Arena, was tight-fit; this one was decisive, with Cotero dropping his opponent in the 3rd round for an 8-count. The verdict was unanimous.

Eddie Hermandez, 132½, decisioned Tony Reyes, 132½, in the top four-rounder. Other fours: Jake Sanchez, 143¼, TKO (2) over Carlos Estrella, 143; and Sal Juarez, 128½, duked Norbert Galindo, 126.

▶ At Hollywood Legion Stadium, Kid Anahuac, 125½, scored a 7th round TKO over Luke Sandoval, Wilmington, 123, in the main event, scheduled for ten. On his last local appearance, Anahuac, who hails from Mexico City, decisioned Jose Luis Cotero.

Sandoval was a substitute, filling in for Vic Ponce, who was taken sick during the week prior to the bout. Like many other Mexican scrappers—out of Mexico, that is—Anahuas is a twisty-turny, a switcher.

In the six-round semi, Fernando La Doll, 147, scored something of an upset by defeating Dusty Duty, 146¼, in a thriller. It was a split verdict, and Duty's first setback. The four-rounders: Al Contreras, 139, decisioned Lloyd Fowler, 139¼; Joe Abasta, 140, duked Uli Robertson, 136; and Babe Antunez, 127½, TKO (2) over Joe Valverde, 132.

▶ Main events between flyweights are rarities in California, but Memo Diez, 115, Mexico City, and Takeshi Yamaguchi, 114, Tokyo, took part in the headliner at San Jose's Civic Auditorium. Though both punched constantly and forcefully, the Mexico lad's blows played havoc with Yamaguchi's features to such an extent that the battle was halted in the sixth round. Diez was credited with a TKO.

Yamaguchi, second ranking flyweight in Japan, was bleeding profusely from cuts under his right eye and on his forehead when the referee stopped proceedings.

Vince Bonomo, 147, New Orleans, out-

pointed Edgar Jones, 146, Merced, in the 6 round semi-main.

Attendance was 1334, with an approximate gross of $2800.

Results of fours: Tommy Villa, 171, decisioned Clyde Brenby, 174; Babe Balles, 116, TKO'd Jess Martinez, 114, in 4.

Richmond is noted as a thriving boxing center which specializes on using local youngsters as drawing cards for the hometown fans. Occasionally Richmond will go far afield to get attractions, if the records of the boys promise lots of action.

This was the case when two wallopers were imported from Los Angeles. Jimmy Palazola, 165, showed himself downright unfriendly to his fellow Southern Californian when he battered Curtis Cofield, 160, all over the ring for four rounds. Palazola was awarded a technical KO.

Abe Ortiz, 136, Mountain View, scored a three round TKO over Ronnie Sanchez, 131, Reno, in the feature bout.

Prelim fours: Dave Johnson, 145, TKO'd Ray Lewis, 143, in 4; Dwight Barringer, 157, dec., Al Loretz, 155; Danny Diles, 147, dec. Sam Lockhart, 153.

▶ Mickey Northrup, 139, Korean war veteran, won his first main event at Hollywood Legion Stadium, scoring the unanimous verdict over Gil Muniz, 137½, of Juarez.

Mickey had earned his spurs as a main eventer by winning three prelim scraps at Hollywood. He turned in an impressive performance against Muniz, as the score-cards testify: Referee Charley Randolph, 60-50; Judges Tommy Hart and Reg Gillmore, identical cards, 58½-51½.

In the six-round semi, Johnny Hayden, 164½, scored a close, somewhat unpopular verdict over Bill Filippo, 151. (It certainly was unpopular with the guys who bet on Filippo!)

The fours: Carl Perez, 128, outpointed Bobby Moffitt, 130; Chuck Freeman, 131, decisioned Benny Augustine, 128¼; and Charlie Que (pronounced "Qus") decisioned Joe Mack, 170.

▶ Dick Goldstein, 149, refugee from Warsaw, won the unanimous 10-round verdict over Timmy Jefferson, 142½, Joliet, Ill., at Ocean Park Arena. Dick had a wide margin margin at the finish.

Russ Gillam, 151, had one of his good nights and scored a 3rd round kayo over Joey Brooks, 153, in the semi-final, slated for six. The fours: Tacho Mendoza, 126½, decisioned Bobby Satchell, 126½; Joe Mack, 169, TKO (3) over James Perry, 177; and Paul Anderson, 162½, decisioned Sammy Seals, 163.

▶ Tony Pellino, 158, Buffalo, scored a 3-round TKO win over Sonny Gill, 155, Pasadena, in the main event at Ocean Park Arena, slated for ten. It was a mild upset; Gill was favored at 10-6.

In the six-round semi, Willard Henry, 165, outslugged Joe Mack, 168½. The fours: Rudy Mendoza, 139, decisioned Al Garza, 143; Tacho Mendoza, 116½, TKO (4) over Jackie Herrera, 117; and Reuben Wilson, 190, TKO (3) over Jimmy Ingram, 185.

▶ Don Jordan, 143½, lightweight champion of California, turned in the best fight of his carrer to decisively vanquish Joe Miceli, 147½, in the 10-round feature of the Olympic Auditorium. It was the blackout bout.

A crowd of 6,733 paid $15,968 to see the festivities.

Miceli was a 10-7 favorite entering the ring, chiefly because of his one-sided win over Art Aragon a couple of weeks earlier. Jordan won like a 4-1 choice: the scoring tells the story.

Referee Tommy Hart scored it 57½-52½; Judge Reggie Gillmore saw it 58½-51½; and Judge Les Grossman voted 56½-53½—all for Jordan.

Jordan's best round was the sixth, when he rocked Miceli with a sharp right cross and had him rubber-legged. The slender youngster, who is built along the lines of the great Joe Gans, is now in line for some goodies.

Manager Harry Kabakoff, who has done a brilliant job with this promising kid, insists that Don can still make 135, the lightweight limit. He says Don weighed 136 after a workout a week before the Miceli fight.

In the televised ten, Ramon Tiscareno, 146½, suffered a third-round knockout at the hands of Woody Winslow, 151—a major upset. Tiscareno, winner of eight straight this year, was 7-1 choice. He was dropped four times in the third before Referee Lee Grossman stopped it.

The fours: Al Perez, 143½, decisioned Roy Ballesteros, 146; Bobby Robledo, 123½, TKO (3) over Rickey Palma, 127; and Carlos Estrella, 141, decisioned Lloyd Fowler, 139.

▶ Larry Vasquez, 127, San Francisco, could not keep Epefanie Garcia, 131, of Mexico on the floor, but took a convincing 10 round decision after decking him twice. These action specialists met at Richmond's Auditorium.

Referee Frankie Brown scored it 62 to 48 for Vasquez.

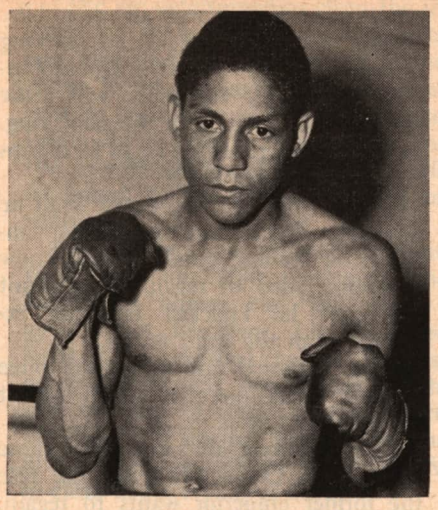
The house grossed $1,753.

Garcia went down for five in the third, and took a short count of two in the ninth.

The Mexican gamester kept fighting back desipte Vasquez' thunderous attack to the head and body, but his blows lacked force enough to deter his persistent foe.

Dave Johnson, 144, and Joe Gallegos, fought a six round draw.

Four round prelims: Jimmy Abeyta, 116, drew with Freddy Viscarra, 120; Cleo Lane, 128, TKO'd Bob Miller, 129, in 3.



Don Jordan, California lightweight champion, turned in the best fight of his career in defeating Joe Miceli who was fresh from a victory over Art Aragon.

▶ Ambitious Al Villafara of New Orleans, winner of 14 straight fights, took on Maurice Harper, nationally ranked welterweight who had been inactive for most of the year. They met in a scheduled 10 rounder at Stockton, and Harper, despite his long idleness, took command from the beginning. The encounter ended in the seventh with a TKO for the Oakland stylist.

Referee Johnny Reno stopped the bout when Harper had Villafarra pinned and was hitting him at will. Villafara kept his feet throughout the battle, was hurt by two straight rights in the fourth and appeared helpless from then on.

Weights: Harper, 149; Villafarra, 145.

Vince Bonomo, 149, New Orleans, won a 6 round decision over Charley Courtney, Oakland, 145.

Promoter Billy Hunefeld reported the gross gate of $3,802 was the largest for a fight in Stockton in the past six years.

In the fours Babe Ortiz, 137, TKO'd Charley Fitzgerald, 133, in 2; Sam Lockhart, 152, drew with Frankie Quarles, 155; Jay Lewis, 161, and Dwight Barringer, 156, draw.

▶ An Oakland boy names Junius Washington, 163½, fighting the second main event of his career, scored a major upset at Hollywood Legion Stadium by taking the unanimous verdict over Charley Green, 161½. The sharpies had made Green 3-1 choice, to their sorrow. Plenty of money changed hands on the outcome.

Those who followed boxing closely knew that Washington, in his first main event, had defeated Calvin Brad, the boy who knocked out Don Grant. They figured, rightly, that a kid like that was worth a flyer.

At all events, Junius won himself a home in the Southland, and you'll hear plenty about him henceforth in these parts.

Proof that there was no doubt about the verdict: Referee Reg Gilmore voted 57½-52½; Judges Mushy Callahan and Charley Randolph turned in identical cards, 57-53—all for Washington.

It was Green's third straight defeat since he got himself a new manager from San Francisco named Flaherty.

Ray Greco, 145, scored a 5-round TKO over Tony Rangel, 142, in the semi-final, scheduled for six.

The fours: Paul Anderson, 163, decisioned Samp Seals, 160; Eddie Asti, 143, decisioned Uli Robertson, 138½; and Al Perez, 146½, decisioned Butch Martinez, 146.

(Note: Don't confuse "Junius" Washington with "Junior" Washington. Junior came from San Diego; Junius is an Oakland product. I had them confused until straightened out by Babe McCoy, the Buddha of boxing.)

▶ Hollywood Legion Stadium announced another change in matchmakers—the sixth since 1948, when Charley McDonald resigned.

Newest appointee is Jackie Leonard, 37, former boxer, well-known and well-liked in the industry. He supplants Hap Navarro, who handed in his resignation after long feuding with some of the members of the 7-man Stadium Committee.

Starting with McDonald, who held the billet for many years, Legion matchmakers have been Bobby Jackson, Baron Heinrich von Stumme, "Honest Cal" Working and Hap Navarro.

There had also been some dissension between Navarro and Babe McCoy, Olympic Auditorium matchmaker. But since McCoy used to manage Leonard, when Jackie was boxing, that's all a thing of the past. The Babe was one of the first to congratulate Leonard on his appointment.

Suey Welch, one of the best-known gents in boxing, tossed a luncheon in honor of Leonard at his Sports Club, recently moved to 625 South Olive Street. It was well-attended.

▶ Irish Wayne Cooke, 127, zoomed back into the limelight as a knocker-outer at the Olympic Auditorium when he disposed of Vic Eison, 126½, Buffalo, in Round 3 of a scheduled ten. It was the blackout bout.

Cooke has flattened six of the eight men he has met this year. A left hook, followed by a right cross, turned the trick in this one.

In the televised ten, Alex Santoy, 118, San Antonio, knocked the dope for a loop by winning the unanimous verdict over Tony Grasso, 118½, of Hartford. Grasso was 3-1 choice; he started fast and finished well, but faded to a crawl in between. There was no question about the verdict.

Rory Calhoun, 164½, made an impressive debut in the featured four-rounder by knocking out Fred Milton, 170½, in round one. Other fours: Roy Ballesteros, 144½, drew with Eddie Pierro, 146½, and Charley Black, 163, decisioned Artie Dixon, 160, in the opener.

▶ Richmond fans were willing to give most of their cheers to Dom Sacco, a lightweight from nearby Oakland. But when Sacco was guilty of too much grabbing and holding throughout his match with Julian Velasquez of Los Angeles, the invader became the favorite. Velasquez, 130, took a 46-42 point decision from Sacco, 129, in the eight round finale at Richmond Auditorium. Referee Jack Downey was the only arbiter.

Sacco's victory string was ended at 12, while Velasquez was scoring his ninth consecutive win.

The Richmond turnstiles checked in 1,589 fans, who paid a gross of $1,988.

The six-round feature bout ended in a draw. Joe Louis III, 179, Alameda, opposed Sonny Ray, 176, Stockton.

In another scheduled six, Johnny Heard, 163, Richmond, kayoed Pedro Jiminez, 164, in the second.

The fours: Davey Lee, 134, dec. Chuck Fitzgerald, 132; Benny Guiles, 148, outpointed Sam Lockhart, 152.

▶ Sacramento had always been a "lucky town" for lightweight Bobby Woods of Spokane. Among the notable victories he scored in the California capital city was a six-round technical kayo over Joey Lopes, last year. But Bobby's string of Sacramento triumphs came to an end when he again encountered Lopes. This time Joey outmaneuvered the veteran all through the ten rounds, and took a clean-cut decision in the headliner at Memorial Auditorium.

This year Joey has become Northern California's best drawing card. All opponents in his own experience category had been soundly trounced. Invader Percy Bassett was a technical knockout victim, and Champion Sandy Saddler was beaten handily via the decision route.

Woods took the first round, but he was a target for Lopes' darting left from then on. His nose was bleeding throughout the encounter. Despite the 59 to 50 score against Woods, he fought back energetically all the way, and the fans gave him a rousing ovation when he left the ring.

Weights: Lopes, 131, Woods, 135. Johnny Bassanelli referred. Gross gate was $7,577.

Six round prelims: Jay Lewis, 160, dec. Frank Quarles, 152; Charley Courtney, 147, outpointed John Milton, 141; Cal Chambers, 198, TKO'd Walter Robinson, 185, in 4.

▶ Adherents of Shamus Jones of Los Angeles figured he could end the winning

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CAN HE MAKE IT?

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Does a similar fate await Robinson? This can only be answered in the ring.

Robinson knows the quality of the opponent he is to meet in the final test. He has beaten Olson twice, but the years have come and gone while Bobo fought, and Ray danced.

Looking back, it is possible to divide Robinson's career into two chapters. First he was the hungry young fighter seeking the welterweight title. Denied the chance at first he was eventually matched with Marty Servo, the champion. The title bout failed to materialize when Servo's nose was so badly damaged in an over-the-weight battle with Rocky Graziano that he was forced to retire from the ring.

Tommy Bell was Robinson's opponent in a one bout elimination to crown a new welterweight champion. Ray won as expected, but the fans got a big thrill when Bell dropped his favored opponent with a right to the jaw in the second round. Robinson weathered the storm and went on to win the title on a unanimous decision.

The ill-fated Jimmy Doyle was knocked out in eight rounds. Chuck Taylor was flattened in six. Bernard Docusen was outpointed in 15, and while Kid Gavilan went the limit he too was defeated. Chuck Fusari was the last welterweight challenger and Robinson won from him in 15 rounds. The first chapter of his fistic career was over.

The second chapter began in 1952. In Chicago, Sugar Ray met an old foe, Jake LaMotta. The Bronx Bull was world middleweight champion and he made a brave stand in defense of the crown. He was battered, but still on his feet when the referee stopped what had become a slaughter in the 13th round. Crowned middleweight champion, Sugar Ray had to relinquish the welterweight title.

Now every night was New Year's Eve. The middleweight champ was off to Europe, and came to love the bright lights of Paris. Perhaps he wasn't in the best condition when he crossed the channel to fight Randy Turpin in London. Turpin beat him decisively and won the title. The return bout, fought before 61,370 fans at the Polo Grounds in New York City was one of the great middleweight battles.

Sugar Ray, his left eye badly cut in the ninth, came out for the 10th with a do-or-die effort. He put every thing he had in a furious attack, and had Turpin helpless on the ropes when Ruby Goldstein, the referee, stepped in and stopped it.

Robinson defended the title he had regained twice. Once against Olson and the last time against Rocky Graziano.

The Graziano fight has special interest now. Rocky was an ex-middleweight champion and he was seeking to regain the crown in Chicago. Robinson, now an ex-champion, will make his bid to come back in the same ring. What will his thoughts be as he climbs the steps into the ring?

Will he think of Graziano? Will he recall how Rocky had him on the canvas in the second round? He will know Graziano failed to regain the summit and that he knocked out the ex-champion in the third round.

Does a similar fate await him once the bell sends him into action against the younger Olson?

The man best able to answer these questions is Olson. He holds the title the former emperior wants to regain. The outcome depends mostly on what King Carl does in defense of his kingdom.

The second chapter in Robinson's ring career ended when he failed to win the light-heavyweight championship from Maxim. He was bitterly disappointed as he had aspired to follow in the footsteps of Henry Armstrong and win three ring titles. That dream is gone forever, but a new one has taken its place.

Robinson is ambitious to be the first middleweight to win the 160-pound championship three times. Can he do it? Can he come back from Elba to rule again?

In our opinion, Olson is capable of putting up a better fight than he did in his last two contests and this should retain for him his crown since Robinson has definitely shown that the speed for which he hitherto has been known has been cut down almost to a walk. He displayed a lack of stamina and it is doubtful if he can stand the strain of a fifteen rounder any longer. Were the fight a ten rounder, the chances of Roby's winning would be enhanced.

THE ACID TEST

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Most ringside observers were inclined toward giving the nod to the youngster but the official decision handed Maxim the verdict. The trial horse had done his job and done it well. Patterson needed more experience before going after the big ones, needed more time to develop and mature. Maxim proved that by showing up some of Floyd's flaws. Patterson has gone undefeated in his last ten bouts, rocking everything in his path, scoring knockouts in his last five fights.

On the other hand, Maxim remained out of the ring for a period of better than five months, then came back to test up-and-coming Paul Andrews. He found Andrews wanting as he took a ten rounds decision.

Following that Maxim lost a decision to middleweight champion Bobo Olson, a bout Bobo needed under his belt in preparation for his light heavyweight title affair with Archie Moore. In his most recent start he tested young Willie Pastrano, for a $15,000 guarantee, with the youngster gaining a convincing ten round decision, to catapult high up among the division's rated men.

Ezzard Charles is another former world champion who is relegated to the trial horse herd. Rex Layne, Nino Valdes, Harold Johnson, Johnny Holman and Tommy Jackson have all advanced at his expense, as he plods along, not the fighter he was several years ago but still a name and a test for anyone with ranking aspirations.

Bob (Scatterfield) Satterfield, an erratic performer since the start of his career a decade ago, as eleven knockouts scored against him will attest, has long been used as a trial horse, though a dangerous one because of the wallop he possesses. Though he has dumped many of the would-be comers including Julio Mederos, Cleve Williams and Johnny Holman, he also was stopped by and then defeated Marty Marshall, lost a ten rounder to Joe Lindsay and veteran Archie McBride and was held to a draw by young Joey Rowan. However, in his latest start he upended and upset Nino Valdes, one of the leading challengers for the heavyweight crown.

Ralph (Tiger) Jones, who always gives a good fight, is one of the best of the trial horses, the losses in his record not measuring his true ability. In his first bout last year, against Bobby Dykes, he was losing going into the last round when he uncorked a couple of haymakers that finished his opponent. In his next start, he took the measure of young Billy McNeece. Then he went on to losses to Jacques Royer, Pedro Gonzales, Joey Giardello, Hector Constance and Peter Mueller, none of them bad fights.

This year his first opponent was Ray Robinson, on a comeback, trying to round himself into shape for an eventual title match. The trial horse rudely awakened Sugar Ray to the fact that he wasn't the fighter he had been and was a long way off as far as condition and title consideration was concerned.

Jones then lost to Bobo Olson in a non-title bout, kayoed Georgie Johnson, had Eduardo Lausse cut and streaming blood all over the place but lost a decision and halted Ernie Durando.

Trial horses are a definite and important part of boxing. By his fighter's performance against one of them a manager can tell whether he's saddled with a winner and a possible champ.

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the investigation through the various commissions rather than turning the job over to the National Government.

He urged charity for those who have infiltrated boxing after having paid their bill in full to society and branded crusading publications that have urged a clean-up as "character assassins."

He told the delegates that most of the attacks on shady boxing dealings were unjustified, and promised that as president he would do his utmost to see that boxing was carried on as a clean sport.

RING POLLS IN N.B.A.

In view of his declaration, The Ring wired several of the leading lights in the N. B. A. for an opinion on the proposed investigation. It also contacted J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the F.B.I. and here are their statements:

"Your telegram has been received. As director of the F.B.I., I do not feel I should inject myself into this controversial matter."
John Edgar Hoover, Washington, D. C.

"Received your telegram. Everyone who knows me and has been associated with me for the past twenty-five years, knows what my position is in boxing. I will not become a circulation manager for any publishing houses in this country. Your telegram to some of the Commissions bears out my statement that most stories are distorted which is a fact in the questions you are asking because I didn't state the things that you have written in the telegrams."
Lou Radzienda, President of the N.B.A.

"Regardless of individual stands the fact remains that at the N.B.A. convention it was unanimously adopted that we ask an assist from the Federal Government in the investigation of boxing and in certain areas this is certainly needed. I am going to do what I can along those lines so that boxing can and will survive."

Floyd Stevens,
Michigan Boxing Commission

"Inasmuch as my report urging Congressional investigation of professional boxing was adopted unanimously, I shall, as chairman of the Committee to eliminate underworld characters from boxing proceed with our objective despite the attitude of the Illinois Athletic Commission. None of the Illinois delegates voiced objection from the Convention floor when President Anthony Petronella called for discussions on the resolution nor to the resolution when adopted."

George A. Barton,
Minnesota Athletic Commission

"We are determined to clean the ills attendant in boxing. Lou Radzienda, our new N.B.A. President, I know, wants to do the same. But the Convention passed the history-making resolution for a Federal investigation and the present officers of the N.B.A. will be bound by the action of the Convention.

"Radzienda is a capable commissioner, an honorable gentleman who knows his boxing and will make a good N.B.A. President. Like all Americans he is entitled to his personal opinion but we're determined not to stop our plan of attack on those hurting boxing. Boxing belongs to the public which expects us of the N.B.A. to clean it up, even if it hurts."

Anthony Petronella,
Rhode Island Commission

"I'm in favor of any investigation that would help boxing and for crusading against hoodlums in the game.

"There is a definite shortage of talent and boxing today is in an anemic condition. What it needs is a transfusion. If each and every one of us interested in the sport would help with this transfusion, the 'patient' soon be on its feet again."

Fred Saddy,
Wisconsin State Commission, Secretary

"As I said on the floor of the N.B.A. convention, I believe there is only one way in which the spotlight can be turned on the undesirable elements in boxing and that is through a Federal investigation, preferably by an appropriate committee of one of the two Houses of Congress. I do not believe that everyone in boxing is either a crook or a racketeer. Far from it.

"I do believe, however, that there are presently associated with boxing, openly and covertly, a considerable number of individuals without whom boxing would be far better off. Who these individuals are and the extent of their association can only be hinted at unless, through some legal agency, testimony can be taken under oath to establish the facts.

"Well meaning State or City Commissioners, diligent though they may be, lack authority to extend their inquisitions beyond the boundaries of their own jurisdictions. What is needed for a full disclosure is an inquiry that will cover the inter-state ramifications or tie-ups of what I believe to be certain sinister elements and this is possible only through some Federal agency whose authority transcends state lines. That's why I favor a Federal investigation.

"I have no desire to engage in controversy with any other commissioner or commissioners; I am confident that the objective of all of us is the same and to attain such an objective, namely, clean, decent boxing, we should all stand behind and seek to implement the resolution that was unanimously adopted by the N.B.A. Convention urging a Congressional investigation. In my opinion, this is the imperative first step."

Alfred M. Klein,
Pennsylvania State Commission

"In Cuba, we have no difficulty because there are no racketeers in the sport. Our government ruling body sees to that. Boxing is carried out on a high scale in Cuba. As a member of the N.B.A., however, Cuba joins with its American brethren in seeking the elimination of any objectionable characters in an effort to place boxing on a thoroughly clean basis internationally."

Col. Roberto Fernandez Miranda,
Cuban Commissioner of Sports

"I'm for any investigation that will enable us to feret out those who have been responsible for the bad name boxing has received. Since the N.B.A. which has always tried to keep the sport in a healthy state, but hasn't the means nor the power legally to investigate on such a scale, I favor a Federal investigation such as the N.B.A. requested by unanimous vote. I'm sure that our new president, Lou Radzienda, like the rest of us, will work with his colleagues whole-heartedly for the betterment of boxing in this country."

Abe Greene,
National Commissioner of Boxing for the N.B.A.

NORRIS: OUR HANDS ARE CLEAN

Jim Norris, President of the International Boxing Club and Madison Square Garden, commenting on the action of the N.B.A., declared in emphatic terms that his organization has no affiliation with undesirables and can face any investigation with clean hands. Like Radzienda, he said that the attacks on boxing and his organization have been either by publicity seekers or by magazines with an aim to sensationalism.

"As president of the International Boxing Club," he said, "I take issue with those who paint our organization as one dealing with racketeers. We are a gigantic organization which, if it had to do business with such persons, would quit. We help boxing by speading major contests around the country. We don't tear down the sport nor run our business with the aid of racketeers.

"If the various boxing commissions cannot run boxing with the powers granted them by their legislators, if they're impotent to do the job for which they have been appointed, then

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let the Federal Government take over. It may be the best solution. We welcome such a move. When a Commission calls upon the Federal authorities to run its business, then it admits its inability to do so itself. We're not afraid to have the U. S. Government take over boxing. It would be okay with us.

I'm fed up with all these investigations and people popping off to get space in the papers—headline seekers. As for the I.B.C. business of which I am head, we have absolutely nothing to hide, nothing to fear. We carry on legitimately with the best interests of boxing and those who support it at heart."

SEEN AND HEARD IN NEW YORK

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155, Brooklyn, had the better of Jack Randolph, 152, Harlem; Freddie Pedriera, 145, Staten Island, grabbed the verdict from Lindsey Pinkney, 144, West Side, and Chick Velez, 133, West Side, accounted for the only knockout of the night by disposing of Tony Diaz, 129½, Puerto Rico, in one round.

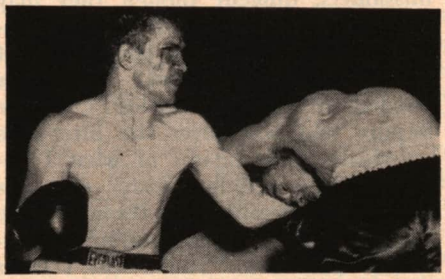
▶ An awkward but effective left hand gave Chris Christensen, 146¾, Denmark, credit for a knockout over Gene Poirer, 148, Niagara Falls, when their scheduled ten was halted at the end of the sixth at St. Nicholas Arena. Christensen's busy jab and occasional right cross sliced Poirer's features so badly that Dr. Alexander Schiff, club physician, refused to allow Gene to go out for the seventh. Poirer was bleeding from cuts over both eyes, from the nose and a rip on the upper lip. It was a lively, free-hitting affair while it lasted, with Poirer in front on points. With his two-fisted counter-punching, Poirer had taken the first two rounds by wide margins, but Christensen's left began to find the range in the third. Poirer continued to score with the harder punches, and several times shook up Christensen, but the Dane's long left was getting in its licks and mangling Poirer's face into a bloody mess. In sixes, southpaw Shirley Pembleton, 184½, Philadelphia, won from lanky Ricco Hackney, 185¾, Baisley Park, L. I.; and Tony DeCola, 140, Brooklyn, edged out Irving (Itzy) Wallach, 144¾, East Side. In fours, Billy Gardner, 135¾, Greenwich Village, outpointed Nick Edwards, 134, Brooklyn, and Garvin Sawyer, 188¾, Cincinnati, shaded Calvin Wilson, 196, Philadelphia.

▶ Shifty boxing and sharp punching netted Carmelo Costa, 129¼, Brooklyn, a close verdict over hustling, bustling Bobby Bell, 126½, Youngstown, O., in a sizzling ten that officially inaugurated Madison Square Garden's 1955-56 socking season. The bout was the third and "rubber" match in the series between the speedy rivals, whose previous meetings at Eastern Parkway Arena had produced an even split, Bell winning the first and Costa the second. In this payoff episode, Bell set a blistering pace from the start, swarming all over Costa with a busy two-handed attack, but the Ohioan hurt his chances by inaccurate punching. Bobby was warned in the second, third and tenth and penalized in the eighth for low blows. Costa combined fleet footwork with snappy two-handed counter-punching, frequently jolting Bell with left hooks and fast combinations. Costa was ripped over the left eye in the opening stanza, but his handlers did a fine job of closing the cut at the end of the round and it didn't bother him during the rest of the fight. In the tenth, however, a collision of heads opened a bloody gash on Costa's forehead, but it happened too late in the fight to affect the result. Johnny Digilio, 140, Bayonne, N. J., outlasted Tommy Barto, 136½, New Kensington, Pa., in a slugging semi-final eight. Johnny Gorman, 137¾, Brooklyn, edged out Gene Takach, 141, Trenton, N. J., in six. Archie Monroe, 147, Washington, D. C., beat Harry Deputy, 143, Pottsville, Pa., in another six. In fours, Angelo DeFendis, 165, Brooklyn, won from a borough rival, Jimmy Skinner, 160, and Sado Ortega, 134½, Mexico, decisioned Jose Rivera, 134, Bronx. Estimated attendance 1,500; gross gate $5,000.

▶ In a scrambling affair that uncovered plenty of willingness but little skill, Bobby Courchesne, 131, Holyoke, Mass., celebrated his New York debut by getting credit for a knockout over Tony Puleo, 135, Brooklyn, at 1:29 of the ninth at St. Nicholas Arena. The bout was halted by Referee Harry Ebbets because Puleo was bleeding profusely from gashes over his left eye and behind the left ear. (The damage required 14 stitches after the bout.) It was a lively, if crude, brawl while it lasted, with the rivals taking turns at belting each other. Neither boy displayed much boxing ability and did as much missing as hitting, but what was lacking in technique was made up in enthusiasm. Puleo was aggressor most of the way, but Courchesne was just a bit too speedy for him, nad all three official scorecards had the New Englander leading when the bout was stopped. The feature of the preliminary card was the promising professional debut of Bobby Ruffin's latest protege, Johnny Schultz, 154¾, West Side. Schultz needed only one round and 1:44 of the second to dispose of Manuel Fernandez, 150, Harlem, in a scheduled four. Jerry Luedee, 163½, New Haven, Conn., whipped Jimmy Williams 166½, West Side, in the semi-final six. In another six, Tommy Webb, 149½, Jamaica, decisioned Dick Cannady, 155½, Newark. Carlos Fusco, 120, Bronx, won from Edgar Perkins, 123, Harlem, in four.

▶ Two good hands, plus persistent aggressiveness, figure to beat one good hand and sporadic flurries, and they did when Cisco Andrade, 135, Whittier, Cal., hustled his way to a decision over the veteran Orlando Zulueta, 135, Cuba, in a speedy ten in Madison Square Garden. Andrade, showing for the first time in the Garden, was too busy and durable for Zulueta. For the most part it was a duel of left hands, with little to choose between them, but Andrade also had a right hand which Zulueta lacked, and this determined his margin of victory. Several times in the closing rounds the Californian rocked Zulueta with right crosses and in the ninth he sent the Cuban stumbling into the ropes. Zulueta skidded to the canvas, but was up immediately and Referee Al Berl called it a slip, not a knockdown. The semi-final, listed for eight, ended at 2:59 of the fourth, with Tony Baldoni, 158¼, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., credited with a kayo over Hardy Smallwood, 156, Brooklyn. Tony (Tex) Gonzales, 156, East Orange, N. J., rallied strongly in the closing rounds to earn a draw with Billy Harper, 152, Washington, D. C., in six. In fours, Jimmy Clemente, 165, West Side, won from Jimmy Garcia, 166, Harlem; Billy Lord, 146½, Bronx, whipped a borough rival, Tony DiBiase, 154¾, and LeRoy Green, 158½, Kansas City, Mo., drew with Jesse Smith, 158, Philadelphia. Estimated attendance, 1,500; gross gate $5,000.

▶ Too fast and strong for his lanky opponent, Isaac Logart, 145½, Cuba, made it three wins in four main event starts at St. Nicholas Arena by taking a decision from Al Wilson, 147, Englewood, N. J., in a hard-fought but not too exciting ten. Relying on a steady left jab and an occasional right, the plodding Wilson gave a good account of himself in the long-range boxing, but Logart was too strong for him in the infighting and too speedy in the exchanges. Both boys were jolted frequently, but neither was in serious trouble at any time, and the only damage suffered was a bloody nose by Wilson. Eddie Corma, 139, Philadelphia, had the better of Frederico Escalero, 146, Puerto Rico, in the semi-final six. Promising young Danny Mendoza, 135½, West Side, hustled his way to a decision over LeRoy Graham, 135½, Brooklyn, in another six. In a pair of fours, Genorace Armstrong, 156, Elizabeth, former New Jersey Golden Gloves champion, posted his third win as a pro by beating Dick Lowery, 159½, College Point, and Ray Apollo, 151½, Newark, drew with Billy Montella, 156, Long Island City.



Gene Poirier (left) cocks his right as Chris Christensen of Denmark slips a left thrown by Gene. Poirier leading on points was stopped at the end of the sixth round due to the deep cut in his right eyebrow.

THE MAT WORLD

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pro he has built up a big following. He completed his second tour in New Zealand, Australia, and Hawaii.

A top weightlifter Don has set a new world's record of 396 pounds from prone press.

A clean-scientific wrestler with great strength in his arms and shoulders Don has been known to get rough when his opponents arouse him.

SHORT ON AL KASHEY
BY VINCE SALERNO

Young Al Kashey is a contender for the world's junior-heavwweight wrestling championship-crown. At 23 the clean-cut denizen of Los Angeles stands high among the aggressive pile of matmen and mayhem artists who want to get to that goal first. The California all-around athlete is an ex-soldier, and physical Ed instructor.

The UCLA grad, ran, swam, boxed, lifted weights, and played baseball while wearing Uncle Sam's khaki. He was like poured concrete in his GI uniform scaling 210 and standing barely six feet. He is the son of Abe "KING KONG" Kashey Heavyweight Champion of the Hawaiian Islands and Oceania.

Kashey's footprints in the sands of professional wrestling cover nearly the entire United States. He was a big hit in and around Columbus Ohio where his phenomenal string of junior-heavyweight victories placed him within grabbing reach of the junior-heavy title.

Kashey operates a physical culture farm and muscle mill in California near L. A. where many of the movie stars and actors come for a workout.

THE FANS CORNER

Dear Nat Loubet:

I am a reader of the Ring Magazine and enjoy it very much, most of all your part about wrestling. I have a fan club for one of the finest young men in the Sport's World today, none other than Wilbur Snyder of California. He started on tour in January of this year and has been doing fine, his first stop was in St. Louis, then Columbus, Ohio and the towns around there, going on to St. Louis again and then to Canada and now in Texas, where he was the winner of the 14 man tournament that they held on August 22nd.

He won the right to wrestle Lou Thesz for the World's heavyweight Championship.

Our Club was a year old in August and we are very proud of our Honorary and work hard for him. Thanking you, for all you have done for Wrestling, I am Your's always for the

Best In Sports,
Mrs. Violet Smith

TV FIGHT CIRCUIT

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televised from the Garden, April 4, 1941.

Jimmy Carter and Paddy DeMarco put on a lightweight title brawl from the Cow Palace in San Francisco that won't be forgotten for some time. The same arena also was the scene of the Ration Macias-Chamrern Songkitrat bantam championship bout, March 9, 1955.

Los Angeles had the Jimmy Carter-Art Aragon lightweight title fight in 1951, the first West-to-East telecast. TV fans saw Jake LaMotta finally get knocked down and stopped by Danny Nardico at the Coral Gables Auditorium, on New Year's Eve 1952.

AMONG the less notable TV triumphs was the Kid Gavilan-Johnny Saxton match from the Philadelphia Arena, February 13, 1952.

Syracuse, of course, can list only one bout as MR. BIG in its beautiful War Memorial Auditorium, the Basilio-Tony DeMarco bout on TV when the crag-faced lad from Canastota, N. Y. won the world welterweight championship. Before that night, the top scrap in Syracuse Auditorium history was Basilio-Kid Gavilan in which Basilio decked the Cuban Keed in the first round but lost a split decision in a title bout.

Brooklyn's Eastern Parkway, now idle, had a solid run of good TV bouts. Perhaps the best were Hurrican Jackson's knockout of Danny Bucceroni and Floyd Patterson's lone defeat by Joey Maxim.

Ancient St. Nicholas Arena on 66th Street in New York has entertained the TV cameras for years. One of its best in recent years was a rousing battle between Oscar Pita of Argentina and Gene Poirier of Niagara Falls, N. Y. during the '55 Summer season.

SELF MANAGING FIGHTERS

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in the picture, and theatrical Agent Joe Glaser hovering about. From this, one might infer that the Sugar Baby now feels that self managing isn't all it's cracked up to be.

That Vince Martinez, a cut above the ordinary fighter in intelligence, would like to manage himself is quite obvious, but recent developments hint that Vince is undergoing a change of opinion here.

Martinez, to whom fighting is purely a business and not a particularly pleasant one at that, even with Papa and Brother Phil running interference for him, has been finding the road rocky in handling his own affairs.

Oldsters reveal that the late Tommy Burns, managed himself without benefit of stooge or front man, once he moved into the front rank of fighters of his time.

Pleasant mannered, easy going Lou Viscusi, was the only manager of record Willie Pep ever had but when it came to a showdown the wispy wizard always had the last say. Willie, a good business man, would probably be wealthy today, had he been able to close his eyes to the enticements of the Goddess of Chance.

Willie not only managed his manager, he interested himself in fighters of his own while he was still fighting. Red Top Davis was a former Pep foe, in whom Willie had a managerial interest.

On the opposite end of the pole, few can recall a champion as puppet-like to the pressures of his manager as Rocky Marciano. Uncomplaining and unquestioning, Rocky, the grateful type, is not unmindful of the uncanny job Al Weill tuned in in transforming him from an over-aged novice into one of the most formidable champions of all time.

This is characteristic of Weill fighters, Lew Ambers, and Marty Servo among others, went along with every move and suggestion ever made by Weill, even after they had left the ring wars.

The Pep-Viscusi set-up was reversed in the case of Henry Armstrong and the late Eddie Mead. Armstrong, a trusting soul, left everything up to Manager Mead, who like Pep, was never able to resist the lure of Lady Luck, which for him was usually bad.

Until Actress Estelle Taylor came into his life, Dempsey was no different from Marciano, giving Manager Doc Kearns free rein in everything. When the split-up finally came it erupted into the bitterest court battle boxing ever saw. With the beauteous Estelle, now Mrs. Dempsey, looking over his shoulder, Dempsey did a good job of taking over for himself in both the Dempsey-Tunney bonanzas, with Leo P. Flynn and Bill Duffy in advisory capacities.

FROM LOSS COMES PROFIT

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American campaign which, in two years, was to culminate in his winning the world heavyweight title.

Writing of Schmeling automatically brings up the stunning defeat Max tossed into Joe Louis in their first meeting. Schmeling was a supposedly ringworn veteran, brought over from Germany as merely another sacrifice to be offered on the altar of Louis' spectacular build-up campaign. Shufflin' Joe was only 22, and fighting professionally just two years, but already being touted as a certain world champion. Schmeling handed him a brutal lacing before knocking him out in the twelfth round. It was the first time Louis had been beaten as a professional, and there were those who predicted he'd never recover from that battering. But Joe proved he had the stuff of which champions are made. He went on to win the heavyweight title, then annihilate Schmeling in their second meeting.

And, discussing heavyweight champions who reached their lofty eminence after discouraging setbacks, who can overlook that old Pappy Guy, Jersey Joe Walcott, whose erratic record is of too recent vintage to warrant a resume at this time.

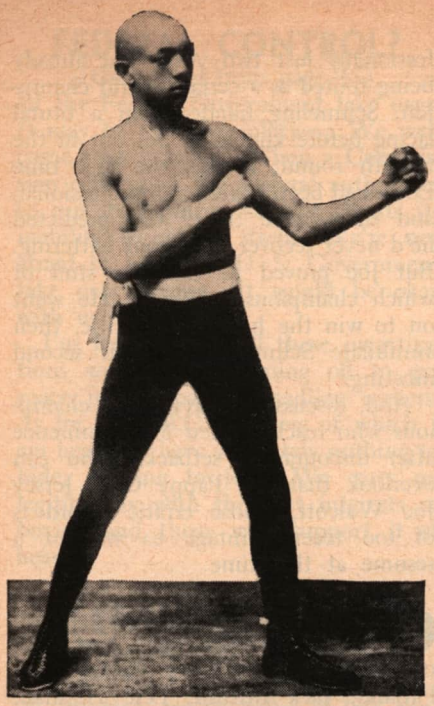
CHECK back through the record books and you'll learn that such outstanding ringmen as Packey McFarland, Jack Britton, Pete Herman, Georges Carpentier, Jack Delaney and Tiger Flowers were only some of the many others who learned how to overcome disheartening early defeats to go on to fistic greatness.

We recall vividly how a bout that was supposed to finish a youngster's career actually began it. It was during the early '20s, and we were chatting with Harry (Champ) Segal in an all-night coffee joint in Harlem. Champ was handling a busy stable of fighters, and this night he was talking of his youngest entry whom he regarded as "hopeless." In five preliminary bouts, the best the youngster, a bantam, had been able to get for himself was one draw. "He's a swell kid," said Segal, "but he can't fight, and I'm afraid he'll get hurt. I've been trying to make him quit, but he won't. He's determined to make good. What can I do?"

"A real good licking may be the answer," we suggested. "Don't put him in with a puncher, who may hurt him, but some fast, busy kid who'll smother him with so many gloves he'll get disgusted and quit of his own accord."

Two weeks later the chance came along. Frankie Genaro, former National and Olympic flyweight champion, and now an outstanding professional, was boxing at the Commonwealth Club. His opponent, pleading illness, called off the match. A rush call went out for a substitute. Segal answered it.

This was the match that should have discouraged Segal's youthful entry from further interest in a fighting career. But calculations misfired somewhere. The youngster lost the decision, but he gave Genaro a rip-roaring argument all the way, and his surprisingly good showing made him all the more determined to keep fighting. Three years later Charley (Phil) Rosenberg was world bantamweight champion.



Champion George Dixon, who retained world title in meeting with Rosebud only because his manager insisted on billing bout as an exhibition.

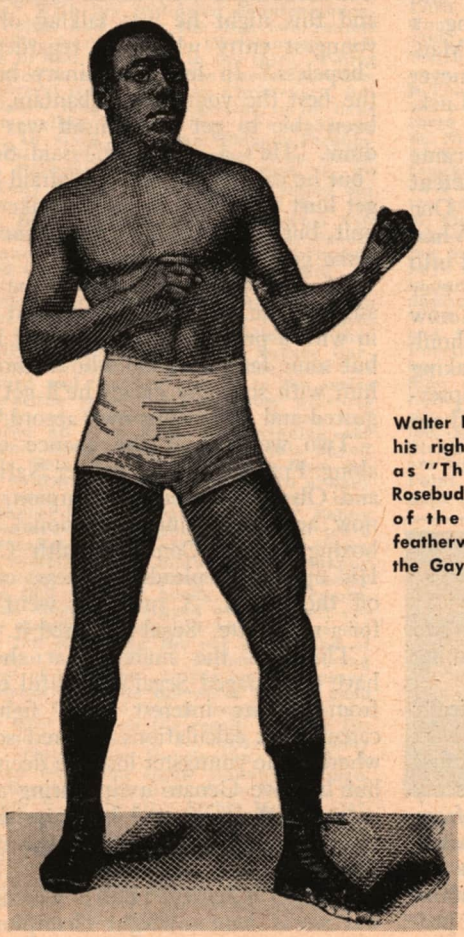
Ike Weir, the "Belfast Spider," who with the help of a reporter's remark, scored sensational last-round knockout over Rosebud.

Another in an exclusive series in The Ring by writers who were actually at ringside of the Fights They Couldn't Forget.

Fights I Cannot Forget

By PETER PRUNTY

(Octogenarian and famous former announcer of fights and other sports)



Walter Edgerton was his right name, but as "The Kentucky Rosebud" he was one of the ring's top featherweights during the Gay '90s.

IF you are an avid reader of boxing lore, you probably have heard of the Kentucky Rosebud and even might be thoroughly acquainted with his unique career. Walter Edgerton was his real name and he was active both as a bare knuckle fighter and a glove contestant for upwards of twenty years starting when he was only fifteen. Unlike most of those about whom something has been written in "Fights I Cannot Forget," Edgerton's fame rested on his eccentricity, his comedy and his general ring antics. He could compare quite favorably in that respect to Maxie Rosenbloom, Max Baer and Battling Siki of a later day era. He was known as the comedian of the roped square and because of that, he was taken on tours arranged by William Muldoon when he travelled about the country with his wrestling circus and boxing troupe.

More than five decades have passed since I saw The Kentucky Rosebud in action, but five more could pass and were I still alive, I could recall vividly two contests in which he was engaged, bouts which in my more youthful days came up frequently when we gathered around during Hot Stove League sessions. One was the encounter between Ike Weir, claimant to the world featherweight championship, the most versatile athlete in the history of the prize ring and the other with George Dixon, who at the time had already quit the bantamweight division because of weight-making difficulty and had won the crown in the next higher division.

How did I come to pick on these two bouts for my subject? Well, turning over the leaves of an old scrap book which I was looking over for the last time before presenting it to The Ring Editor for his collection, I came across the name of Walter Edgerton and immediately it brought back the contests about which I'm going to tell you—one of which was listed only as an exhibition, but

which, had it been advertised otherwise, would have cost George Dixon his title.

The first contest was between two of the leading comedians of the roped square of their era. Why do I recall that fight so vividly? Because of its sensational ending brought about through comedy around the ringside. Weir, known as the Belfast Spider, was a clever boxer, a hard hitter, a gymnast, jumper, fancy dancer, trick cyclist and vaudeville artist. He combined everything that makes for popularity. The only thing he lacked to make him a truly great fighter, was condition. He disliked training and depended largely on kidding his opponent to get by. In fact, he was one of the earliest to use what so often saved Benny Leonard, the art of talking an opponent out of victory either through joshing him or trying to convince him how futile it was for him to take any chances.

The Spider and the Kentucky Rosebud were matched to box four rounds on May 9, 1891 in a Philadelphia club. The fans knew that each was a clever boxer and that their kidding proclivities would probably bring about a thrilling encounter, hence the night of the fight found the arena filled and all hands were treated to exactly what they had expected—a bout that went down into Memory Lane as one not to be forgotten.

For two rounds there was little to enthuse the spectators other than clever boxing. They were giving an excellent exhibition of the manly art of self defense, with plenty of blocking, sharp jabbing, clever ducking and side stepping. Each was lightning fast with feet and hands but the spectators were on edge waiting for something big to happen. It began to look like the bout would go the limit and that at the end of the fourth round, since no decisions were permitted, the usual announcement of a draw would be made by the newspapermen.

But, when least expected, Weir began a repartee that kept the spectators roaring with laughter and eventually drew Rosebud into the act. Between them they kept firing with witty remarks throughout the third session and in between rounds, the ringsiders joined in with their humorous comments.

Then came the final session. Weir, the wittier of the two contestants, joshed Rosebud, who with his southern drawl, quickly answered and one of the reporters, eager to see some real ring action instead of listening to the jokes, shouted to Weir, "Come on Ike. Put an end to it. Knock him out."

The Rosebud, angered, turned his head toward the reporter to answer him and as he did so, Weir tossed a terrific right hander against his jaw and knocked him across the ring. He landed on his back and lay as flat as a pancake. The Rosebud was dead to the world for more than five minutes and then had to be carried out of the ring and be attended by the club physician. When he finally came to he looked up at those standing about him and said:

"Where's dat Ike I'se gonna meet?"

Two years later, on March 22, 1894, I again saw the Kentucky Rosebud in action but this time in a three rounds exhibition with the king of the feathers, George Dixon, and fortunately for George's manager, Tom O'Rourke, that he insisted on the bout being called an exhibition, or he would have been minus a world title holder. And here is what had happened:

The sports editors from Philadelphia and some influential businessmen got together and decided to stage a ring show to raise money for what was known as the "Philadelphia Bread Fund." There had been a period of financial depression all over the country following the great strikes at the start of the century and there were thousands of needy and starving people in almost every major city. New York and Philadelphia were particularly hard struck and with Dixon a very popular fighter at the time, it was figured a bout with Rosebud would draw a packed house. And it did. But it was not the crowd that made that affair a memorable one for me, but the recollection of the invincible George Dixon lying on the canvas in the midst of thousands of excited, cheering, yelling spectators, is what remains fresh in my mind.

The story of that bout is one of sheer excitement. The Rosebud and Dixon had met four times previously and on each occasion they had put up a pleasing affair. Dixon and Rosebud were only two of many others who were booked, some in boxing contests, others in exhibitions of skill as the one between Prof. John Clark and his pupil. The main attraction, however, was that between Dixon and Edgerton.

Tom O'Rourke, manager of the champion, had Dixon booked for the following week at the Lyceum Theatre and figured it would be excellent advertisement to have him show on the Bread Fund card. He knew that every time Dixon had met the Kentucky Rosebud in the ring he had defeated him and didn't think he was taking any chances so accepted the offer to show for the fund.

The first round was about an equal affair, with one then the other assuming the lead but with cleverness, more so than hitting, occupying the attention of the spectators. Rosebud kept out of harm's way aided by his celebrated agility. He danced around his opponent, jabbed often but kept as far from Dixon as he could without getting the spectators riled at him. His antics, joshing and jabbing, in fact, brought rounds of applause because they were enjoyed by the spectators.

In the second round, however, Rosebud changed his tactics. Instead of keeping his distance, he stood up and decided to mix it with the powerfully hitting Dixon. He met the champ's rushes with straight lefts until he worked Dixon into a corner. In trying to move out, Dixon left himself wide open and like a flash Rosebud's fist landed on George's jaw and the champion toppled over, struck his head with a thud and lay as if unconscious. Referee Ed Cole, who then was sports editor of the "Call" and later worked under Nat Fleischer on the old New York Telegram, was about to count when O'Rourke leaped into the ring and upraided him, declaring, "this is an exhibition. Don't you do any counting."

Then O'Rourke and his aides worked frantically over Dixon to bring him out of his condition. They carried the prostrate form of the champion to his corner, applied smelling salts and ice to revive him and more than one minute elapsed before he was ready to resume the bout. The second round was only two seconds more than two minutes over when the knockdown blow was landed, hence if O'Rourke had not insisted that the fight be announced only as an exhibition, a new champion would have been crowned.

When Dixon came out for what was announced as the third round, he was sufficiently recovered, but O'Rourke took no more chances and had the round cut to two minutes.

It isn't often that one sees a world title holder knocked for a loop, cold as ice, in an exhibition in which he feels that his crown is safely protected and if for no other reason, that is sufficient for me to place this fight in Memory Lane, one I can't forget.

The Rosebud made a lot of dough as a result of that achievement. Instead of Dixon being the attraction at the Lyceum Theatre the following week, a rival combination booked The Rosebud for Philadelphia, Trenton, Camden and nearby cities and he received $750, a huge sum in those days, for his exhibitions with two sparring partners. O'Rourke, angered by the upset and the turn of affairs, made several attempts to get Rosebud to box Dixon again for six rounds in the National Club of Philadelphia, but without success. He decided to rest on his laurels.

QUERIES ANSWERED BY NAT FLEISCHER

J. C. Gia Giari, Honolulu, T. H.

Q—Was Dempsey considered a boxer or a slugger? Was Dempsey put down by Gene Tunney in either of their two fights? When two fighters meet in a championship bout, must they weigh in within the weight?

▶A—*Dempsey was a slugger. He was put down by Tunney in the tenth round of their second fight. Yes, the fighters must scale within the limit of the class for a title bout.*

Harry Blauser, The Bronx, N. Y. City

Q—In the first issue of The Ring Record Book published in 1941, I find that Charley Phil Rosenberg is listed as having lost his last fight to Johnny Dundee. I saw that bout and am certain that Charley won it. Am I correct?

▶A—*Yes. The error was corrected in the second printing of the book that same year. You will find it correctly recorded in every other of our Ring Record Books. Look under the champions and you will see the line under Rosenberg's name, "January 4, 1929—Johnny Dundee, New York City, won 10."*

Harvey Thompson, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Q—Was Jack Bernstein ever a world champion? What is his correct name?

▶A—*On May 30, 1923, he defeated Johnny Dundee in a junior lightweight championship match in Madison Square Garden in 15 rounds. The Junior division was then recognized only in the United States.*

On December 17 of that same year he lost in 14 rounds to Dundee in the Garden and lost the crown. Bernstein's name was John Dodick.

Martin Farber, Cincinnati, O.

Q—How many times did Billy Petrolle and Jimmy McLarnin fight? What were the results?

▶A—*They fought three times. In their first meeting on November 21, 1930, Billy beat Jimmy in New York City in 10 rounds. On May 26, 1931, McLarnin won in New York City in 10 and on August 20 of that year, Jimmy again whipped Petrolle in 10 in New York. The last two were the only fights McLarnin had in 1931.*

Mariner F. E. Joyce, Sailors' Snug Harbor, N. Y.

Q—How many times did Greb and Tunney meet in the ring and what were the results?

▶A—*This is all in The Ring Record Book which every lover of boxing should have in his library. However, here is your answer: They met five times. May 24, 1922—Tunney lost the American Light Heavyweight title in 15 rounds, New York City. Feb. 23, 1923—Tunney regained the title in 15 rounds, N. Y. City. Dec. 10, 1923—Tunney retained the title in 15 rounds, N. Y. City. Sept. 17, 1924—No decision, 10 rounds, Cleveland, Ohio. May 27, 1925—No decision, 10 rounds, St. Paul, Minn.*

Corporal William Arbona, APO7, c/o P. M., San Francisco, Cal.

Q—In what round did Joe Louis stop Jersey Joe Walcott the second time they fought? The boys here are eager to settle an argument on this point.

▶A—*Louis stopped Walcott in their second bout in the eleventh.*

Hilton Harden, Modesta, Cal.

Q—What was the date and month of birth of Randy Turpin and where was he born?

▶A—*He was born in Leamington, Eng., June 7, 1928.*

Mrs. E. A. Neel, Firebaugh, California

Q—What fighter first used the bolo punch?

▶A—*To the best of my knowledge, Ceferino Garcia was the fighter. He used it frequently.*

Jerry Caseor, Oceanside, L. I., N. Y.

Q—Did Louis and Marciano when they fought, use the six or 8 ounce gloves? Are 8 ounce gloves compulsory in all bouts whether championship or non-title? What is the rule?

▶A—*Louis and Marciano used six ounce gloves. In all N.B.A. States and in New York bouts the 8 ounce gloves are used except in championship fights when the rule is waived. In some states, as in New Jersey, 8 ounce gloves are used in all bouts but in other states that rule is waived for heavyweights. New York waives it only for championship matches. Marciano and La Starza fought with 6 ounce gloves.*

Sgt. Jim Hyman, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Q—How many fights did Ray Robinson have all told? How many times did he fight Jake La Motta?

▶A—*He had a total of 145 contests. He fought La Motta five times. He won twice in 10 rounds, once in 12, scored a K. O. in 13 and lost the first fight in 10.*

A/1C E. B. Edelstein, Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C.

Q—How many knockouts did Billy Fox score prior to being knocked out by Gus Lesnevich?

▶A—*He scored 43 knockouts.*

Joseph W. Bickeley, Lowell, Mass.

Q—Who were the ten outstanding, ranking heavyweights in 1941 and in 1946? I refer to the start of the year.

▶A—*In 1941, in our February issue, we have the following:*

Joe Louis, Max Baer, Billy Conn, Arturo Godoy, Red Burman, Buddy Baer, Lee Savoid, Buddy Walker, Gus Dorazio, Tommy Farr and Lou Nova.

In 1946, February issue, we have the following:

Joe Louis, Tami Mauriello, Jimmy Bivins, Lee Oma, Elmer Ral, Bruce Woodcock, Arturo Godoy, Jersey Joe Walcott, Joey Maxim, Melio Bettina, Lee Savoid and Joe Baksi.

John Elliney, North Burnaby, B. C., Canada

Q—In the fight between Rocky Graziano and Tony Zale in which Rocky won the title in Chicago, did the referee count Zale out to stop the fight? My friend says he was counted out.

▶A—*The count reached three in the sixth round when the referee halted it to save Zale from further punishment.*

Frank Bulwinkle, Milwaukee, Wis.

Q—Can a fight manager who has a license in one state, use that license in all other states?

▶A—*No. Each state has its own laws and a manager, fighter, promoter and second must obtain a license in each state where he wants to work.*

Vito Pastore, Rhodes, Greece

Q—How many times was Gavilan dropped in his fight with Basilio for the title?

▶A—*Once. In the second round.*

New Oleans Fan

Q—What was the highest rating that Bernard and Maxie Docusen got in The Ring at any time?

▶A—*Maxie was listed Number One in 1950. Bernard was rated several times Number 9 and Ten.*

Martin Fussell, Chicago, Ill.

Q—What was the name of the time keeper in the Toledo fight between Jack Dempsey and Jess Willard?

▶A—*Warren Barbour who later became a U. S. Senator from New Jersey.*

Fred Warton, San Francisco, Cal.

Q—What is the nationality of Art Aragon?

▶A—*He was born of Mexican-American parents in Albuquerque, New Mexico.*

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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streak of young Eddie Machen if he could get in the first hard punches. This Shamus succeeded in doing—in the first round of the main event at San Francisco's Coliseum Bowl Machen was tagged solidly on the chin with two left hooks. Shortly after Jones got all his power behind a right to the same spot. But Machen did not go down.

Instead he started pounding Shamus all over the ring. The undefeated novice from Redding, Calif. was definitely in command at the end of the first session, and in the second he smashed a right under Jones' heart to put Shamus down for nine. When Shamus got up, Eddie ended proceedings with a right to the jaw. It was Machen's seventh straight knockout. Weight: Machen, 198, Jones, 180.

The show was promoted by Charley Hunter.

Darrell Layton, 157, Salt Lake City, won the semi-windup by outpointing Hank Davis, 164, L. A., in six rounds.

Prelim fours: John Carroll, 176, TKO'd Louis Perego, 174, in 3; Camby McGilmore, 159, dec. Dwight Barringer, 158; Frankie Brown, 149, stopped James Howard, 154, in 3.

▶Gil Cadilli, 126½, entered the ring a 3-1 underdog against rugged Rudy Garcia, 128½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and emerged victorious in Round 7, via TKO. It was one of the sharpest upsets of the year.

Cadilli has not fared too well since he transferred his activities to San Francisco, but he came to life sharply for this one. Some 2,000 fans saw Cadilli rack up four knockdowns in the fatal seventh, at a time when he was trailing on points.

Referee Mushy Callahan stopped the fight after the fourth knockdown.

There was an oddity about this one. Garcia suffered a broken ankle—the same mishap that happened to Art Aragon in his fight with Joe Miceli at the Olympic, only two days earlier. The defference was that Aragon continued to fight, busted ankle and all, and went the route. Garcia was unable to maintain his footing.

In the six-round semi, Herman Duncan, 127, decisioned Paul Armstead, 127½.

The fours: Bobby Moffitt, 128, decisioned Chuck Freeman, 132; Joey Brooks, 160, knocked out Bobby McLane, 160, in Round 1; Butch Martinez, 147, KO (4) over Ray Lopez, 149.

▶Frankie Daniels, 176, former state light-heavy champ, had entirely too much on the ball for Harvey Taylor, 168, at Ocean Park Arena. Daniels won by TKO in the 8th, after sending Taylor to the canvas for an 8-count.

Joe Abasta, 137, racked up his fifth straight win in the six-round semi, scoring a decision over Bobby Ramajo, 138. The four-rounders: Rudy Mendoza, 137, decisioned Mel Ferguson, 138; Joe Brooks, 161, drew with Russ Gillam, 159; and Jackie Herrera, 116½, decisioned Willie Bell, 121.

▶Stan Bryant, a fledgeling boxer with 12 pro bounts, was supposed to fade in the stretch against Esau Ferdinand, lightheavy-weight champion of California. But Stan upset the experts' predictions by unleashing a barrage of left hooks and right uppercuts in the final round to win the ten-round decision at Oakland Auditorium.

Ferdinand was staggering at the close. His title was not at stake, the contest not being over the required 12 rounds.

Oaklander Bryant scaled 162, San Francisco's Ferdinand, 166.

Referee Frankie Brown's score sheet gave it to Bryant, 56 to 54.

Jim Rodgers and Frank Tabor promoted the program.

Roger Rischer, 183, Alameda, defeated Raul Grande Flores, 228, in six rounds.

Four rounders: George Sullivan, 139, stopped Gypsy Mike Mitchell, 135 in 1; Dwight Barringer, 160, KO'd Wildcat Glasgow, 155, in 1; Sonny Ray, 176, dec. John Carroll, 177.

▶Bakersfield, prominent in boxing record books for the past half century, but inactive for several seasons, rejoined the fistic procession with a successful show. Frankie Daniels, 175, responded to the plaudits of 1,278 of his hometown neighbors and punched out a decision over Franklin Haynes, 179, of Shreveport, La.

Daniels, former lightheavyweight champion of California, did not lose one round of the ten, though one was called even. Referee Tommy Hart, the lone judge, scored it 58 to 49 on the point chart.

The program, promoted by the Bakersfield Disabled War Veterans, was an outdoor feature at Sam Lynn Park. The bouts grossed over $3,000.

Kenny Davis, 128, Los Angeles scored a one round kayo over Chico Rosa, 127, Fresno in the scheduled 10 round semi.

Another ten-rounder ended ahead of time, when Luke Sandoval, 127, Wilmington, Calif., scored a seven round knockout over Bobby Satchel, 131, Bakersfield.

The fours: Fred Milton, 176, dec. Clarence Williams, 190; Lonnie Malone, 172, outpointed Henry Taylor, 169.

▶NuNu Randle, heavy blasting Richmond lightweight, gave evidence that he learned much about the style of Alex Fimbres when he and the Arizona lad battled to a draw this spring. In a return encounter at Richmond's Auditorium, Randle knocked out Pimbres in 1.54 of the fourth round. The battle was scheduled for ten.

Two rights to the jaw put Fimbres flat on his face, where he was counted out by Referee Johnny Lotsey. It was Randle's 13th knockout in 22 bouts. Each fighter weighed 132.

The crowd totaled 2296, paying $2893 gross.

In the sixth round semi-windup, Lyle Mackin, 149, decisioned Frankie Quarles, 151. In another six, Cleo Lane, 126, outpointed Paul Felix, 125.

Prelim fours: Johnny Milton, 147, drew with R. J. Glasgow, 154; Jimmy Abeyta, 115, and Freddie Viscarra, 118, draw.

SEEN ON TELEVISION

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VIRGIL AKINS

ONE of the outstanding fistic comebacks of 1955 has been made by Virgil (Honey-Bear) Akins who is now rated among the top five contenders for the welterweight title.

Akins, 26 years old, was born and still lives in St. Louis, Missouri with his wife and two children. Virgil had to leave school to help support his family after his father's death but he still found time to follow boxing. At 15 he entered the amateurs, fighting as a bantamweight. In three years of simon-pure competition he lost only 8 of 80 bouts, and captured over a dozen titles.

He made his pro debut in the spring of 1948 and quickly advanced to the main event class winning 11 out of 15 contests during his first two years.

1951 was the banner year for Akins as he moved up among the contenders for the lightweight crown by defeating Joe Brown, Freddy Dawson, the present 135 pound titleholder Wallace (Bud) Smith, Luther Rawlings and Tommy Campbell. He kept right on flying high in 52 by kayoing Baby LeRoy, Joe Gilmer, Henry Davis and Jay Watkins. Facing unbeaten welterweight Johnny Saxton in Chicago, Virgil dropped Saxton, but lost the decision. This fight seemed to take something out of Akins and he hit the skids dropping three in a row to Joe Miceli, Johnny Gonsalves and was stopped by Phil Kim. These poor showings caused him to temporarily retire.

After a layoff of a year he returned to the ring as a 147 pounder but showed little of his former ability while winning two out of three bouts and again he retired.

In March he again made up his mind to give boxing one more whirl and scored a surprise kayo over Johnny Brown. He followed by kayoing Tommy Maddox, then drew with Brown, then came the stunning eight round kayo of Ronnie Delaney which snapped a winning streak of over 50 fights. A one round kayo over Joe Miceli, and an 8 round finish of Billy Suddeth followed. In his latest bouts the solid left hooker came from behind to defeat Isaac Logart and beat Harold (Baby Face) Jones.

With his confidence restored he is going to be a mighty tough boy to stop.

TV & BOXING

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out" less program time than the 20% of station time now devoted to commercials.

The net effect of subscription TV, Zenith said, would be a great increase through new and existing stations of the sponsored and sustaining programs available to the public.

SOME "REEL" GOOD FIGHTS

The DuMont Television Network inaugurated "The Big Fights", a new weekly series of some of the most famous boxing bouts in history, on September 14 (WABD, New York, 7 to 7:30 PM). The opening program recreated on film the stunning upset scored by the Cinderella Man, Jim Braddock, as he defeated Max Baer, an overwhelming favorite, to win the world heavyweight title.

The next week the thrilling contest in which Jimmy McLarnin regained the world welterweight title from Barney Ross in 1934 was screened, and that was followed by Primo Carnera's knockout win over Jack Sharkey in 1933 to garner the heavyweight championship.

Three days earlier than the start of the DuMont series, on Sunday, September 11, outstanding battles of boxing history, was premiered as the "Greatest Fights of the Century" over WOR-TV (New York, 8:15 PM).

The memorable Max Baer-Tony Galento slugfest of 1940 was the first in the series presented. In rapid order, on the 13th, 14th and 15th of the month, came Jack Dempsey's twelve round kayo of Bill Brennan in a title bout in 1920, Joe Louis' eleven round knockout of Bob Pastor in 1939 and Billy Conn's fifteen round decision over Melio Bettina in 1939 in a bout for the light heavyweight championship.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

BIG TIME BOXING RETURNED to Cleveland with an International Boxing Club show and Larry Atkins as matchmaker as Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson defeated former champion Ezzard Charles in a wild ten round bout. Charles barely escaped a knockout in the final round.

The gate was surprisingly good with an attendance of 4,401 and receipts $18,136.

Atkins plans another show shortly. Rocky Castellani will probably feature the card.

Boxing on stilts—a new sport in Bombay, India. Here two experts, Bagli (left) and Wadia, get set while handlers aid them. The contestants may use only their gloved fists. The speed with which they move about the ring, is amazing.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

LEO ESPINOSA, 114¾, currently rated the No. 2 flyweight contender, won his third straight Honolulu bout by unanimously decisioning Takeshi Yamaguchi, 114½, of Japan in a ten round main event held at the Civic Auditorium. Promoted by Rex Ravelle, the fight drew 2,091 fans for a gross gate of $3,792.50.

Referee Louis Freitas had the Filipino flash winning 100 to 87, while the two judges, Walter Cho and Alex Long, had scores of 100 to 88 and 99 to 85, respectively, favoring Espinosa.

For the first four rounds Yamaguchi appeared to have a chance. His southpaw style bothered Espinosa, although he wasn't able to win any of these rounds.

Once Espinosa solved the mystery of fighting a left hander and found the range the battle turned into a rout. The bantamweight champion of the Orient made a sparmate out of his opponent and in the later rounds had the Japanese battler completely at his mercy. He peppered the game but outclassed Yamaguchi with everything including right leads. In the seventh Yamaguchi caught Espinosa with a solid left to the jaw. The blow was hard enough to slow Espinosa momentarily but he recovered fast and before the round ended he was again pounding his opponent almost at will.

Larry Cantiberos, 132¾, was held to a draw by Ray Carvalho, 133, in a six round fight. In a companion six, Josiah Lii, 133¾, beat Masaji Tonami, 132½.

Johnny Kaheaku, 147, decisioned Martin Cambra, 147¾, 4 rounds. Sherman Dudoit, 134, outpointed Felix Aciro, 133½, in a four rounder.

CAGEY STEVE TAKANO, 133¼, outboxed and outbelted Aladino Gusman, 133½, to gain an easy, unanimous decision in a ten round main event held at the Civic Auditorium. Connecting with his overhand right to the head repeatedly, Takano won as he pleased.

Promoted by the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., the fight drew an unexpectedly large crowd of 2,779 customers who paid a gross gate of $4,655.50.

The fighter most of the fans came to see was Fesuluai Peapealalo, 158½, a Samoan middleweight who came here with the fabulous claim of having scored thirty knockouts in that many pro fights. However in this six round fight, Peapealalo while displaying power in both his fists also proved awkward and slow and was unable to catch experienced Chuck Cureton, 155½, with more than one blow at a time. He did rock Cureton several times but failed to score even a single knockdown. More than his belting power Peapealalo's granite jaw was his forte. Cureton landed with everything and often but he only got a Samoan grin in return for his hardest punches.

David Lee, 128¾, from Reno, Nevada, counterpunched his way to a split decision over Rufino Ridella, 128¼, in the eight round semi-final. George Nii, 112, knocked out Felix Cañonigo, 110, in the first of four. Mike Innes, 137, beat Daniel Melendez, 135, in the four round curtain raiser.

IN BANGKOK, THAILAND
By H. D. Koslowski

CHAMRERN SONGKITRAT got back into action in a ten round contest with Danny Kid of Manila here at the Rajdamnern Stadium on September 4, and stopped the Filipino in the ninth round. Chamrern, who fought Robert Cohen for the title before a record gathering last year and then was stopped by Raton Macias of Mexico in San Francisco, showed his old time form as he battered his opponent down for a count of nine in the fifth round and eight in the ninth round. He scaled 117 pound to 115 for the Philippines flyweight king.

▶ In the same Stadium on August 24, the Japanese flyweight king, Speedy Akira, was halted in the third round by the Thai champion, Koo Noi Vithichai.

GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

Essen: A crowd of over 10,000 saw Peter Mueller of Cologne halt former European champion Kid Dussart of Belgium in five rounds. The German was warned for hitting low and the punch that put Dussart on the canvas was a doubtful one but the referee thought otherwise.

Southpaw Walter Sturms, Munchen Gladbach, outpointed Schrollkamp of Essen in a four rounder. Heavyweight Hans Brendemuhl, of Hamburg, halted Marcel Didier, Belgium, in two. Heinz Sachs, Krefeld, drew in eight of a heavyweight contest with Winfreid Henne, Dusseldorf.

Horst Formella was stopped in three by southpaw Karl Heinz Bucher of Essen.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

THERE WERE NO OUTSTANDING matches during the month of August. The local promoter staged shows the usual days with the exception of one Saturday, when it was impossible to do so because of illness on the part of one of the stars.

▶ Ezequiel Uribe, 132, decisioned Jose Paredes, 134, in ten. Ubaldo Ramirez, 133, also decisioned Alvaro Gutierrez, 135, in ten.

▶ Jose Arguelles, 135, got a split decision over Beto Carbajal, 135, in ten. Chucho "Kid" Tello, 114, decisioned Kid Leoncito, 119, in ten, although Leoncito was the crowd favorite.

▶ Fast Dudolph Bent, 140, from British Honduras, decisioned Joe Castañeda, 140, in ten. It was a rematch, the first fight having been won by Castañeda. Enrique de la Cruz, 125, stopped (TKO) Rocky Martinez, 125, in five.

▶ Roberto Bolaños, 128, stopped (TKO) Joaquin Carrillo, 127, in five. Ernesto Castañeda, 118, stopped (TKO) Jorge "Cuyo" Nuñez, 119, in 9.

▶ Tomas Lopez, 137, national welterweight champion, stopped (TKO) Tomas Castillo, 136, in six. Lopez lost weight and Castillo gained it for the fight, but the "big man" had to beat the "little man". Beto Gonzalez, 135, stopped (TKO) Enrique Gomez, 135, in nine. Wed. 24—Memo Sanchez, 119, stopped Zurdo Galvan, 121, in four. Alvaro Gutierrez, 135, stopped (TKO) Juan Lemus, 135, in eight.

▶ Fili Nava, 117, decisioned Emilio de la Rosa, 117, in ten, in a fight which did not please everybody because of so few blows thrown. With this win, Nava is entitled to contend for the national bantamweight title which is at present in the possession of Jose Lopez. Lalo Gallardo, 136, decisioned Rudolph Bent, 139, in ten, according to the judges, but the crowd did not like the decision.

▶ Rogelio Saucedo, 118, stopped (TKO) Rudy Coronado, 118, in three. Memo Baltazares, 126, stopped Rocky Martinez, 125, in nine.

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

HARTFORD—JACKIE O'BRIEN, recently discharged from a hitch in the Army, dethroned the Hartford veteran, Vic Cardell, 146½, as State Welterweight Champion in a 12 round title go at the spacious State Theatre. O'Brien, 147, from Meriden, making his first start in a 12 round bout, allowed Cardell to pile up an early lead. Starting with the 6th round, O'Brien's jab and hook became more effective. He was getting the range. He jarred Cardell with solid hooks and right crosses.

O'Brien's fast pace through the latter rounds earned him a well deserved victory, although referee Red Moffet called it in favor of O'Brien by one point, 43 to 42. We thought O'Brien earned the duke by a little bigger margin. There were no knockdowns. Both received cut eyes.

In the 8 round semi-final, Billy Lynch, 145½, Hartford, with a 19 and 2 record and for whom Co-manager Sam Gulino recently claimed the New England Welterweight Championship, looked more like an amateur in losing a decision to Tommy Webb, 149, of New York. Actually Lynch outscored and outpunched Webb but earned the displeasure of the crowd and the referee by his ring tactics.

Webb, a gamester who never stopped trying, won a popular if not deserved victory. Steve Ward, 138, Hartford, punched out a clean decision over Vinnie Williams, 136½, Meriden, in a real good and fast six rounder. Semi-pro bouts made up the rest of the card. A disappointing crowd of less than 1,000 paid in a gross of $1,935.

▶ Pres. Walter Johnson announced that the Connecticut Boxing Guild will stage an all-star benefit Boxing Show for the Connecticut Flood Relief. Willie Pep will head the program and it will be his first appearance in Hartford in a long time. CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK!

▶ Connecticut was the hardest hit State in the recent flood and boxing fans interested in contributing to Connecticut Flood Relief may send me their checks, made payable to Conn. Flood Relief or Conn. Red Cross Flood Relief.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

IT WAS AGE—AND AGE ONLY that defeated Ezz Charles in the return meeting with Tommy Jackson at Cleveland, Ohio, on August 31. Jackson won the decision by virtue of a dash of youth and vim in the tenth and final round. Charles should quit boxing. We can recall the day when Ezz as a heavy middleweight would have chopped down the likes of Jackson, Holman and a few others with whom he has had a tough time.

Frankie Williams, Cincinnati heavyweight, won from Jimmy McMillan in a four round prelim on the Cleveland show.

▶ Kid Chissell of Indianapolis, who boxed around Cincinnati many years ago, has a stellar role in "Guys and Dolls" movie version. . . . I still have a few copies of the 1955 promoters and managers guide, 1000 names, addresses listed for one buck apiece . . . weekly boxing letter at ten bucks per year—52 weeks is going bigger. . . . I am now organizing a national club BOXERS OF YESTERYEAR and would welcome applicants to the new organization from all old time former fighters . . . address me at 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

▶ Garvin Sawyer, former top amateur heavyweight star, made his professional debut at New York on August 29, winning in four rounds over Calvin Wilson, a much more experienced ringman from Philadelphia.

WORLD RATINGS

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Chuck Davey launched his comeback by beating Pat Manzi, 10. Former lightweight king Ike Williams stopped another ex-lightweight king Beau Jack, 9.

Oscar Pita outpointed Ernest Zetzman, 10. Rudolph Bent outpointed Joe Castaneda, 10. Charley Sawyer halted Ike Jenkins, 6. Mel Collins kayoed Johnny Howard, 7.

Dick Goldstein bested Timmie Jefferson, 10. Jefferson lost to Bob Sanders, 8. Irvin Blue won the Panama welterweight title by beating Jose Edwin, 15. Benny Nieuwehuizen retained South African title by stopping Gerald Dreyer, 8.

Virgil Akins outpointed Harold (Baby-Face) Jones, 10. Former champion Tony DeMarco returned to action and kayoed Chico Vejar, 1. Jimmy Beecham defeated Chico Varona, 10.

Johnny Saxton decisioned middleweight Joe Shaw, 10. Carlos Chavez outpointed Tommy Manaois, 10. Duke Harris kayoed Frank Smith, 7. Walter Byars defeated Bubba Norman, 8.

Tommy Nee edged out Benny Washington, 6. Bob Murphy bested Rocky Sullivan, 8. Barry Allison defeated Willie Stevenson, 6. Clarence Johnson kayoed Al Eldon, 5.

Lorenzo Alono whipped Lloyd Kirkpatrick, 6. Billy Lynch kayoed Willie Renfro, 3.

Jackie O'Brien outpointed Vic Cardell, 12. Gene Johns beat Hector Paralto, 8. Manuel Rocha kayoed Baby Garcia, 2, and Emilio Roman, 4.

Fernando Spallotta kayoed Emilio Jackson, 8. Bobby Murphy halted Lem Harvey, 6. Jimmy Beecham bested Willie Johnson, 8, and kayoed Roland Rodriguez, 5. Mel Barker whipped Lester Brown, 10. Lloyd Nelson, 10. Danny Cardenas, 10.

Bid Nethers outscored Charley Sazera, 8. Russ Gilliam stopped Joey Brooks, 3. Dave Johnson drew with Joey Gallegos, 6, and stopped Ray Lewis, 4.

Charlie Courtney outpointed John Milton, 6, and drew with Tommy Flores, 6. Ray Greco kayoed Tony Rangel, 5, and Sam Lockhart, 4. Alex Vargas beat Guy Guerette, 6.

Buddy Jackson drew with Tommy Webb, 6. Webb then beat Billy Lunch, 8. Frankie LaDoll scored over Dusty Duty, 6. Ray Reed halted Norman Bennette, 1, but lost to Bobby Elliott, 8.

Larry McCartney drew with Charlie Smith, 5, but was kayoed by Joe Garza, 2. Tony DeCola bested Itzy Wallach, 6. Calvin Nathan bested Clarence Johnson, 6.

Jesus Garcia edged out Deladier Urista, 8. Vince Bonomo beat Edgar Jones, 6, and drew with Dave Wagoner, 6. Buck Earnhart kayoed Andy Davis, 2.

Al Johnson defeated Major Woodson, 5. Archie Monroe scored over Harry Deputy, 6. Ben Buker II whipped Eugenio Bugallo, 10.

Lyle Mackin kayoed James Howard, 1. Allan Kennedy halted Chuck Price, 3. Star Gony kayoed Flashy Sebastian, 7.

Eddie Brant stopped Babe Vance, 9, lost to Ray Portilla, 10, drew with Danny Cardenas, 6. Dommy Roxas beat Terry Flores, 8. Bobby Moore decisioned Ernie Hannigan, 6.

Manuel Salcedo turned in surprising performance by taking Spanish title from Ramon Correa, 12. Juan Tjeda beat Phil Williams, 6.

Former lightweight Giancarlo Garbelli celebrated welterweight debut by whipping Freddi Teichmann, 10. Peter Waterman posted his 8th straight kayo of 1955 by stopping Raphael DaSylva, 2.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Frankie Ryff outboxed Joe Lopes, 10. Ludwig Lightburn outfought Armando Muniz, 10. Kid Centella defeated Bobby Woods, 10. Rocky Randell halted Ron Stribling, 8.

Star Gony outpointed Abel Donnell, 10. Cleo Lane kayoed Manuel Baptista, 1. Benny Artist outpointed Gene Butler, 6. Eddie Corma whipped Fredrico Escalera, 6.

Aldo Mente stopped Danny Cardenas, 9. Bobby McHugh kayoed Gus Robinson, 3. Danny Mendoza beat Leroy Graham, 6. Steve Ward kayoed Vinnie Williams, 5. Tommy Elder beat Johnny Bridges, 6. Artie Lupo kayoed Manny Garcia, 3.

Ralph Dupas was held to a surprise draw by young Leonard Gaines, 10.

Jackie Blair kayoed Ronald Sheffield, 2.

Orlando Zulueta outpointed Glen Flanagan, 10, but lost to Cisco Andrade, 10. Bill Knauer defeated Al Bourdeaux, 10.

Kenny Lane defeated Hoacine Khalfi, 10. Henry Brown whipped Charley McGarrity, 6.

Seventeen-year-old Jiro Sawada won the Orient title by stopping Masashi Akiyama, 4. Bobby Courchesne stopped Tony (Sonny) Puleo, 9. Leo Alonzo stopped Tommy Romulo, 10.

Ludwig Lightburn outscored Juan Padilla, 10. Johnny Gorman whipped Gene Takach, 6.

Nat (Killer) Jackson defeated Carl Coates, 10. Lalo Gallardo beat Rudolph Bent, 10. Steve Takano defeated Aladino Gusman, 10.

Johnny DiGilio beat Tommy Barto, 6, but was halted by Bernie Lynn, 1. Marcelo Vargas bested Manuel Munoz, 10. Pedro Pina kayoed Luis Covarrubias, 4.

Nunu Randle defeated Julian Velasquez, 10. Russ Tague kayoed Dick Ramazetti, 2. Basil Marie stopped Richie Howard, 5.

Ray Riojas edged out Cesar Saavedra, 12. Ray Mejia drew with Luis Vazquez, 10. Mickey Northrup outfought Gilberto Muniz, 10. Guillermo Prieto beat Ignacio Asencio, 8. Asencio also lost to Gonsalo Andueza, 8.

Buddy Harris outscored John Barnes, 6. Jose Arguelles beat Beto Carvajal, 10. Andy Arel kayoed Speedy Davidson, 2, and whipped Billy Morgan, 8.

Marcelino Molina beat Jose Ruiz, 8. Larry Cantiberos drew with Ray Carvalho, 6. Tommy Flores drew with welter Chuck Courtney, 6.

Gil Tapia drew with Floyd East, 6, and beat Jim Brewer, 6, East kayoed Pat Brown, 5. Ray Paini outfought Franco Antonini, 10, and decisioned Pierre Sarkissian, 8. Eddie Antonetti beat Stan Smith, 6.

Joe Abasta outpointed Bobby Ramajo, 6 Carlos Ortiz outscored Armand Bush, 6. Chino Colonia won over Domingo Hidalgo, 10. Josiah Lii outfought Masaji Tonami, 6.

Babe Ortiz stopped Ronnie Sanchez, 2, but lost to Bill Walker, 6. Jimmy Pipper scored over Manny Davis, 6. Bobby McHugh kayoed Billy Lloyd, 1.

Steve Ward beat Vinnie Williams, 6. Gene Butler stopped Al Duarte, 2. Beto Gonzalez kayoed Enrique Gomez, 9.

Ezequiel Uribe beat Jose Paredes, 10. Willard Nelson and Teddy Hall drew, 6. Ubaldo Ramirez beat Alvardo Gutierrez, 10, Alvardo then stopped Juan Lemus, 9.

Mario Rosellini drew with Mario Calcaterra, 10. Tommy Lerma decisioned Severo Fuentes, 8.

South African Champion Johnny van Rensburg stopped Roy Louw, 8. Mickey Zielke outpointed Ron Stribling, 8.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Willie Pep stopped Jimmy Ithia, 6. Paul Jorgensen whipped Kid Henry, 10. Martin Rodriguez kayoed Baby Ortiz, 7. Dave Gallardo kayoed Reuben Smith, 10.

Teddy (Red Top) Davis outpointed Paul Jorgensen, 10.

Carmelo Costa outfought Bobby Bell, 10.

Ciro Morasen stopped Antonio (Puppy) Garcia, 12, and outscored Lauro Salas, 10. Salas halted Epifanio Garcia, 7, Garcia also lost to Larry Vasquez, 10.

Kid Anahuac stopped Luke Sandoval, 7. Santiago Martinez kayoed Dick Powell, 7. Tomas Castillo was stopped by welterweight El Conscripto, 6.

Guillermo Medina upset Orlando Castillo, 10. Shigeji Kaneko kayoed Noboru Tanaka, 8.

Rodolfo Francis upset Sonny Leon, 10. Ben Escobar kayoed Nursery Kid, 6. Roy Hernandez outscored Manuel Mendoza, 10.

Manuel Ortiz kayoed Papelero Sanchez, 3. Ruben Salazar outscored Billy Evans, 10. Victor Quijano defeated Bombom Kiris, 10.

Humberto Carrillo defeated Julio Escobedo, 10. Jose Cotero decisioned Gil Velarde, 10. Rudi Langer held Alvaro Cerasini to draw, 10.

Juan Collazo defeated Lucio Hidalgo, 10. Antonio Ramirez kayoed Mario de la Rosa, 2, and Manolo Luna, 8. Estudiante Olmos outpoined Leandro Gracia, 10.

Herky Kaminsky halted Davey Kuhn, 8. Roberto Bolanos kayoed Joaquin Carrillo, 5. Davey Lee decisioned Rufino Ridella, 8.

Sergio de Cardenas whipped Alfredo Triana, 8. Johnny Ramos outpointed Joe Govea, 10. Al Ware defeated Baby Beau Jack, 6.

Paul Smith defeated Bobby Satchell, 6. Enrique de la Cruz stopped Rocky Martinez, 5. Rocky was also kayoed by Memo Baltazares, 9 Roberto Murillo whipped Rafael Brathwaige, 6.

Mike Doer decisioned Bunky Frazier, 6. Cleo Lane stopped Bob Miller, 5, and drew with Manuel Baptista, 6. Eddie Crawford stopped Gil Geekie, 3.

Danny Wilson kayoed Al Roocker, 1. Rudy Ortega decisioned Mario Colon, 6.

Teddy Peckham needed only one round to dispose of John Kelly. Willie Tomada kayoed Al Custer, 6.

Manolo Garcia halted Andre Clabec, 3. Tino Cardinale was too ringwise for Billy Lamberton, 6. Spanish Champion Jose Hernandez outpointed Jimmy Black, 10.

Leif Wadling outboxed Freddie Reardon, 8. Tommy Bain stopped Jimmy DeMura, 4. Kid Campeche kayoed Johnny Mooney, 3.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Britsh Empire champion Peter Keenan rallied to kayo Jake Tuli, 14. Mario D'Agata kayoed Jose Pedro Paris, 3.

World champion Robert Cohen retained his title, although held to a draw by Willie Toweel, 15.

Chamrern Songkitrat returned to action to beat Danny Kid, 10.

Mario D'Agata kayoed Luis Martinez, 8. Memo Sanchez halted Zurdo Galvan, 4.

Alex Santoy defeated Tony Grasso, 10. Fili Nava defeated Emilio de la Rosa, 10.

Juan Cadalso edged out Antonio Diaz, 10. Orlando Reyes scored over Melvin Bourne, 10. Rogelio Saucedo kayoed Rudy Coronado, 3.

Ernesto Castaneda kayoed Jorge Nunez, 9. Jorge Valverde kayoed Chiquilin Torres, 2. and Alejo Mejia, 6.

Al Asuncion kayoed Mistsue Yamamoto, 4. Masakazu Otsuka drew with flyweight Danny Kid, 10 Rauel Leanos defeated Sapito Jimenez, 10.

Nestor Reyes stopped Young Eddie, 4. Nai Sanong kayoed Don Razali, 1.

Chucho Tello beat Kid Leoncito, 10. Berto Gonzalez stopped Alfredo Barretto, 4. Manuel Ruiz won on a disqualification over Enrique Espinosa, 5.

Gene Aragon drew with Little Dundee, 6. Italian Champion Piero Rollo stopped Renato Denti, 7. Giuseppe D'Augusta outfought Giancarlo Dugini, 8. Aristide Pozalli thrashed Pierre Gress, 8.

FLYWEIGHTS

Tanny Campo defeated Memo Diez, 10. Jake Tuii was stopped by bantamweight Peter Keenan, 14.

Tanny Campo drew with Cunning Andy, 10.

Leo Espinosa outpointed Takeshi Yamaguchi, 10, Yamaguchi was then stopped by American champion Memo Diez, 6. Ramon Calatayud beat Dagoberto Fernandez, 8.

Danny Kid drew with Masakazu Otsuka, 10, and kayoed Masaru Miyazaki, 3, then lost to bantam Chamrern Songkitrat, 10. Kunoi Vithichai kayoed Speedy Akira, 3.

Cliff Eskridge kayoed Red Wilson, 2. George Nii kayoed Felix Canonigo, 1.

Knai Suwan outscored Chua Gim Chiang, 10. Ignacio Torres drew with Augustin Campos, 6.

Frisco Reyes outpointed Dommy Ursuwa, 10. Baby Ross won over Little Brown, 8. Lorry Amate drew with Little Raytranco, 6.

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IN "PACIFIC NORTHWEST" RINGS
By R. D. Casey

THE BIG NEWS IN THIS FAR CORNER of Uncle Sam's domain is Bob Albright's convincing win over the South African champion Johnny Arthur. The script now calls for a rematch in Johannesburg where Arthur is a big favorite.

Pat McMurty, the Northwest's leading heavyweight contender, has recovered from his hand injury and will soon resume ring warfare.

Seattle gyms are full of "big boys" these days with promoter Jack Hurley concentrating solely on the dreadnaughts at this writing. Other heavyweights working out in Totem Town gyms include Harry Kid Matthews, in hard training for a comeback; George Parmentier, 247 lbs., the "Big Redwood" from Eureka California who won his two Seattle bouts to date; Duke Sabedong, 218 lbs., transplanted Samoan, fresh from a one round knockout of Howard King; Dave Roy, Vancouver's good looking prospect and Bob Albright who has become a big local favorite.

▶SEATTLE'S CIVIC AUDITORIUM:—Bob Albright, 216, posted his most impressive win in Seattle when he pounded out a gory, hard-fought ten-round duke over the South American champion Johnny Arthur, 220. The margin of victory was two knockdowns scored in the second round by Albright. He dealt out a real pasting to Arthur in this second session but the huge South African shook it off between rounds and came back to win the third and fourth cantos. The rest of the bout was roughly even.

Duke Sabedong, 213, transplanted local Samoan, was given a close disputable ten round decision over Kirby Seals, 194½, San Diego. Seals fought in close and had the big Islander missing often. The Duke has a long ways to go yet before any of the name heavyweights need to worry.

Ponderous George Parmentier, 237½, Eureka California, went to a ten round draw with Neal Welch, 208, Toledo Ohio. They tried hard throughout but both lacked the knockout punch without which heavies are unspectacular ringmen.

In the prelims, Dave Roy, 193, Vancouver B. C. prospect, kayoed Reuben Smith, 182, Seattle in two, and Sonny O'Mera, 180, Tacoma novice stretched Vern Jenkins, 185, Seattle in the second heat also. This Jack Hurley promotion, it drew $5,418. at the gate. The box office was undoubtedly hurt by the local Speedways attraction held the same evening, the much publicized Bull fights, which drew large crowds for the two nights it was here.

▶PORTLAND OREGON:—Carl Bobo Olson, 165, pounded out a unanimous ten round non-title decision over Jimmy Martinez, 163, Phoenix, Arizona. Although there were no knockdowns, the champ had the fight under control from the start.

The highly touted Portland schoolboy, Willard Battling Nelson, 135, was held to a draw by Seattle's capable Teddy Hall, 134. Hall finished fast to gain an even break with Nelson. They have met several times and consequently know each other like a book, there was little to choose between them in any of their bouts.

Rugged Sonny Hett, 170, Salem Ore. survived a rough opening session to wear down Vern Jenkins 171, Tacoma and win by a kayo in the fourth.

Seattle's Manny Sanchez, 126, opened the evenings festivities by winning a blistering four round slugfest from Carrol Genshaw, 127, Eureka, Calif. Attendance was 7,500 and promoted by Tommy Moyer.

▶LONGVIEW, WASH:—Duke Sabedong, Seattle's Samoan kayoed Sugar Hart in six rounds, in one of Longview's occasional pro shows.

▶CASEY'S CORNER:—Milo Savage, who now bills himself out of Salt Lake City but who learned his fistic trade here in Seattle, continues to pile up wins. His latest an impressive kayo over Johnny Houston in four, at Reno, before that he beat second ranked Holly Mims. Milo won and lost with Tiger Al Williams in Seattle bouts this year and a rubber match between them would decide the undisputed Pacific Northwest middleweight ruler. . . . Al Principe's heavyweight prospect Dave Roy looks like a comer. . . . The Kennewick Boxing Club will start operations this fall. Newly rebuilt since it was destroyed by a fire. . . . Dixon Hoxsey, Seattle welter prospect who won 33 of 34 bouts, retired from the ring, the Boeing Bomber devoting his time all to Boeings.

Mickey Rhodes, Idaho's Inter-Mountain middleweight champion has retired from the ring. He had just scored some good wins including technical kayoes over Richie Lopez and Sonny Gill. His leading challenger, Billing's Dick Lane, now claims the crown. . . . Well that wraps it up for this month. Casey.

BOXING IN UTAH
By Pete Giacoma

DERKS FIELD, SALT LAKE CITY: Jack McCarthy promoted a top middleweight attraction, pitting second ranked Holly Mims of Washington, D. C., against Salt Lake's Milo Savage. Milo lost an unpopular decision a few months back to Mims in New York. This time Savage's aggressiveness earned him a close ten round decision before over 2,500 fans. The vote was 5-4-1, 6-4-0 and 5-3-2 for Savage who got off fast and managed to stay in front to the finish.

Big Bob Albright, 218, Los Angeles kayoed Clarence Williams, 190, Oakland, in 2. Max Chris, 181, Toole, edged Henry Taylor, 176, Los Angeles, in a good six. Paul Smith, 127, Denver, won over Bobby Satchel, 127, Phoenix, in 6. Andy Maes, 149, Denver, defeated Manual Singh, 150, Salt Lake, four. Former Army champion Joe D'Avy, 139, Toole, kayoed Howie Jordan, 134, Salt Lake City, in the first.

▶West Jordan: For the third time Rex Layne of Lewiston clashed with Bob Baker of Pittsburgh, Pa., and for the third time Baker closed fast to win a decision. It was similar to their second bout held here two months ago, a split decision win for Baker who, at 210½, had an eight pound pull in the weights. Rex, at his lightest in a long long time, looked very good for five rounds then faded. The vote was 5-3-2, 5-3-2 and 4-4-2, with Layne getting a point edge 5-4.

Howie Turner, 202, Brooklyn, N. Y., stopped Rocky Hill, 188, Chicago, Ill., in the 4th. Jack Nelson, 187, Toole, kayoed Jimmy Allen, 174, Boise, in one. Ron Whittle, 173, West Jordan, and ex-Armed Forces titleholder Ernie Fann, 186½, Cleveland, fought to a draw, four. Danny Wilson, 127½, Ft. Hood, Texas, kayoed Al Roocker, 129, Elko, Nev., in one. Joe D'Avy, 134½, Toole, made two straight by kayoing Eddie Schnoor, 138, Boise, in two.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By Hugh Shannon

THE FAIRVIEW ATHLETIC CLUB got the jump on other fight clubs here by pairing Paul Andrews and Bob Satterfield for a heavyweight match which will open Buffalo's 1955-56 boxing season. Andrews defeated shifty Jimmy Slade in his last appearance here last Spring. Paul is a Chicago boy, managed by Marshall Miles of Buffalo. He hopes to do a lot of fighting around these parts during the current season.

The Niagara Frontier Athletic Club and the Hudson Boxing Club, both licensed by the State Athletic Commission, are also determined to bring back boxing this year.

Buffalo's very popular middleweight, Joey Giambra, put up a wonderful battle against Champion Bobo Olson at San Francisco and although Olson won the unanimous decision of the officials Giambra won the plaudits of the crowd for his fine showing.

▶**HERE AND THERE** . . . Jimmy Duffy of Lockport who was a topnotch lightweight and welterweight during his boxing career is a patient at Buffalo Veterans Hospital in Buffalo. He would like to hear from friends and boxing fans. . . . Another Buffalo area former fighter, Jimmy Slattery is in good physical condition again and is now employed by the Buffalo Parks Department. . . . Bert Finch, who managed hundreds of boxers during his fifty year career as a manager and promoter, is also employed by the Park Department. . . . Jack Herman, who was Buffalo's top wrestling promoter for many years, is now living in Glendale, California. . . . Ed Don George who sold out his interests in Buffalo and other New York state wrestling clubs is also about to head California-way.

Bobby Scanlon, promising Buffalo featherweight, is picking up fine experience by boxing in various parts of the country. He did well in Texas and then returned to New York city to score several more victories. Mike Scanlon is his manager.

Buffalo boxing fans hope to see Referee Lou Scozza assigned to a few important bouts in New York city. Lou is one of the best ring arbiters in the country. In his ring days Scozza ranked with the leaders in the light-heavyweight division.

Joe Mendo who was a great bantamweight in his heyday some thirty years ago is working for the Forestry Division in Buffalo. And, Luke Carr, brother of Red Carr, is also a city employe. He is attached to the Memorial Auditorium and Civic Stadium setup. Luke was a welterweight in his ring days—and a good one.

LOUISVILLE, KY. BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

A WELL-BALANCED CARD, one that often sparked with action, marked the first profight in this area in almost a year.

In the co-features, both eight rounds, Louisville's Billy Hester, 158, unanimously decisioned Andy Watkins, 152, of Columbus, and Louisville's Sherman Williams, 160, was awarded a draw with George Boddie, 158, of Dayton, Ohio.

In a six Carl Blair, 165, Louisville's former international Golden Gloves middleweight champion, smashed out a unanimous decision over Ked Carter, 161, of Charleston, W. Va.

Eddie Spears, 155, of Dayton, gained a split decision over Alvis Perkins, 160, of Louisville, in four, and Charles Glover, 169, of Cincinnati, knocked out Mark Carroll, 165, of Indianapolis, in 1:36 of the second round with a right to the jaw.

FUN AND FROLIC

They laughed when the fighter's trunks tore in the middle while he and his opponent were engaging in a stiff exchange and thought that he was putting up a side-splitting performance.

The most savage and bitter battles or inconsequential tame ring affairs can turn from all seriousness to a laugh producing comedy with the suddenness of a wild-swinging fighter clipping himself with his own blow. One gets more than a giggle and a snicker in recalling amusing ring incidents.

In the summer of 1928 when Gene Tunney and Tom Heeney were matched for what proved Gene's last fight, Fair Haven was selected as the training camp for the fighter from Down Under. Heeney, handled by Charley Harvey, was informed that Tex Rickard and members of the Madison Square Garden "Six Hundred Millionaires Club" would make the trip by boat to see Tom train. Tex, in charge of about two dozen newspaper reporters and members of the club reached the camp shortly after noon and Charley Harvey met them.

"Gangway, gentlemen, gangway," pleaded Charley as he led the way for Tex and his troupe. After much pushing and shoving, the gathering reached Heeney's quarters. Within minutes after the arrival of the group, Harvey let out a whoom of dismay. Well he might for when he pushed his way to make a passage for Rickard, he had a wallet with $800 in his pocket with which he had intended to pay off Heeney's spar mates that afternoon. He had come a few hours before from the bank. When he reached Heeney's dressing room, the money was gone.

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RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

"IT WAS THE BEST BANTAMWEIGHT FIGHT I ever saw.' So said Pat Hill, veteran referee, who was third man in the ring for the fight between Bobby Sinn, Australian bantamweight champion, and Roberta Spina, Italian importation, at Brisbane Stadium. As Pat Hill has refereed tens of thousands of contests, his opinion in this regard must be respected.

It was a gory fight, each fighter suffering a cut eye. It was a rugged fight, with each fighter battling as though his life depended on it. Sinn won on points by a wide margin —so wide that, by just reading the result and the margin, one would think the fight was too one-sided to merit such praise from Pat Hill. But every inch of canvas gained by Sinn was won after a hard battle; neither boxer let up for one moment from the first bell to the last.

▶ Darby Brown, long the number one contender for George Barnes' Australian welterweight title, turned in his most impressive performance at Sydney Stadium when he knocked out Italian, Franco Vescovi, in eight rounds—one less than it took Barnes. Darby boxed and fought almost flawlessly, while Vescovi was in it all the way. But in the eighth round Darby rattled home a series of blows to head and body that were not to be denied. Vescovi slowly turned half around and fell, face forward, to the canvas.

▶ Billy McDonnell continues to hand out surprises. This ex-amateur, with only a half-dozen pro fights behind him, upset Ricardo Marcos, the number one contender for the Australian middleweight title, by gaining a hard-earned points decision at Brisbane Stadium.

▶ When it comes to hitting 'em hard, Harry Grogan is the man. You will remember that this junior middleweight upended Percy Simpson in 62 seconds of the first round of a 12-rounder; took 76 seconds of the first round of another 12 to skittle Phil Warren; halted Ray Richards in three rounds in his last three fights. Now he has come to light with another quickie. At Sydney Stadium, in the main 12-round fight, Harry unleashed the K.O. on Pedro Aquista (who outpointed him last year) in the smart time of 85 seconds.

▶ And, writing of smart K.O.s, Tommy Burns, Australia's glamour fighter of a few short years ago, has a lightweight preliminary fighter named Neil Bobart, who likes early nights. In his first fight he skittled his opponent in a round. At Sydney Stadium, in a four-round prelim, he iced Ron Hutton in exactly 12 seconds, including the count. That is the second fastest in Sydney. Back in 1943 lightweight Tommy Johnns knocked out Billy Marsden in 11 seconds, including the count.

▶ Leo Brennan returned to the ring after an absence of nine months and upset rising middleweight, Bobby Sanders, in two rounds at Sydney Stadium. Brennan can punch like the kick of a mule.

However, what was surprising was the result of Brennan's next fight. He was matched with Bill Collings, a victim of Sanders, and Collings collected the verdict. Max Simpson outpointed Max Murphy in a hard-fought contest and Percy Simpson knocked out Billy Williams in 8. The two Maxes are featherweights, while Percy and Williams are welters.

▶ A large Dutchman named Pete De Vries made his debut at Sydney Stadium over 12 rounds opposed to Carl Marchin. The Dutchman, weighing 215 pounds and standing six feet, four inches, was some inches taller than Marchin and 35 pounds heavier, but it did not help him any. Marchin won easily on points.

▶ At Brisbane Stadium, Sergio Milan, who recently suffered his first defeat in Australia when outpointed by Col Clarke, knocked out Ned Wilson in two rounds.

Also at Brisbane Stadium, middleweights Glen Carsburg and Charlie Supplice turned on a close contest, with Carlsburg getting the pat. There was another 12 that night and it was also close. Bantam, Barry Molloy edged Dick White.

▶ Launceston Stadium put on a show and in a close fight, welter, Al McEwan stopped Phil Burt in the seventh round, owing to Burt receiving a cut eye, which required seven stitches. McEwan also suffered—he got a damaged thumb.

▶ Collingwood, a suburb of Melbourne, still keeps the southern boys busy until West Melbourne Stadium is rebuilt, although only one card was presented there during the month. Lightweight Noel Flynn knocked out Tommy Duke in three rounds.

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IN THE CARIBBEAN
By Claude Ramsay

BERT PRINCE FORBES registered his fourth kayo in the Leeward Islands when on August 15 he stopped Kid Evans in 1:56 of the fourth round. They are middleweights. Forbes previously stopped John Lindsay in 3; Peter Molyneaux in 2 and Smiling Ross in Monsterrat, in three rounds.

▶ Billy Greaves, Trinidad welter, was defeated by Mike Harry of St. Vincent in 10 rounds at the Association Hall of St. Vincent. Alban Paynter of St. Vincent defeated Maxie Gainsworth, welter from Barbados in six rounds.

▶ In St. Lucia, Billy Greaves lost to East Boy Fraser, St. Lucia middleweight, in 10 rounds. Maxie Gainsworth, Barbados welter, defeated Jesse Owen of St. Lucia in six rounds.

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IVELOW STEPHENSON, 143, DEFEATED Bonny Garraway, 145½, stopping him in the eighth round. Garraway, light and welterweight champion of British Guiana, had signalled with open hands that he had been fouled and the referee mistook it as a sign that the champion was through for the evening and halted the fray.

Leon Glen, 122¾, stopped T. King, 129, in the fourth round. C. Barrow, 128, halted C. Noel, 125, in the second round. C. Murray, 141, was disqualified in the third round in his fight with Randolph De Souza, 131.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer G

MERIDA, YUCATAN—The amateur season ended, the champions were: Flyweight: Jorge Correa; Bantamweight: Wenceslao "Zurdo" Sanchez; Featherweight: Carlos Ortib; Lightweight: Lincoln Tamayo; Welterweight: Beto Trejo.

▶ Leon, Guanajuato—Victor Manuel Quijano, featherweight king of Yucatan, beat Bombom Kiris in ten rounds.

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IN RENO RINGS
By Ty Cobb

RENO—MILO SAVAGE, 162, Salt Lake City, Utah, knocked out John Houston, 159, Oakland, in the fourth round of their main event before 2,300 fans at Reno's Moana Ball Park.

Savage, fresh from a clean-cut win over Holly Mims, exploded a furious volley of punches early in the fourth, knocking the six-foot Californian through the ropes, onto the apron and half on top the press table. Houston, 19-year-old who was national AAU champion in 1954, made it back at the count of nine, but took a terrific belting. Savage hammered him across the ring and as the Californian sagged in a corner, referee Jimmy Olivas stopped the bout.

Houston, who had 12 KO's in 13 previous wins, took the first two rounds with a good left jab. Savage contented himself with sparring cautiously and in the third concentrated a hard attack to Houston's body.

Howard King, 179, of Reno, Nevada heavyweight champion, outpointed Roger Rischer, 185, Richmond, in a fast six-rounder. It was a return match. King is the only man who has ever beaten Rischer. Smut Warren, 145, Reno, KO'd Mickey Jordan, San Francisco, 140, (1); Les Hoveitz, 144, Carson City, dec. Rusty O'Brien, 148, Reno (4); Billy Walker, 131, San Francisco, dec. Ronnie Sanchez, 130, Reno (4).

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA ROUND-UP
By Clive Cowley

▶Had BENNY NIEUWENHUIZEN (146¼), South African welterweight king, controlled himself in the third of his 12-round title fight when he dropped GERALD DREYER (146½) three times, he would have won by a clean knock-out there and then. As it was, Nieuwenhuizen went on to floor Dreyer a total of 11 times before the referee stopped the slaughter in the eighth round.

Dreyer wisely announced after the mauling slugfest that he had decided to hang up the gloves.

▶JIMMY ELLIOTT (160¼), ex-South African middleweight title-holder, scored his 19th win in 20 professional fights when he outclassed the tough French journeyman, GASTON MEULENBROUCQ (160¼), over 10 rounds. Elliott was master throughout and, as always, his superb defense cancelled all agressive moves by his opponent. In the sixth stanza Jimmy sent Gaston crashing to the canvas with a scathing two-fisted attack to the body.

▶PIET PIETERSE (145), up-and-coming welterweight, continued on his winning way with an impressive five-round knock-out win over tough HARRY WALKER (145½). It isn't every day that Walker is beaten by a knock-out.

Pieterse has possibilities—A smooth style, correct and heavy punching on the credit side. On the debit side—a poor defense and a not-too-durable jaw. Obviously he can't be taught to "take it" so I suggest that his mentors concentrate on strengthening his defence. Both "BASIE" VAN RENSBURG and LAURIE LAWSON, neither of them rated K.O. kings, recently crashed through Pieterse's frail defense to reach his vulnerable jaw with some success.

The nuggety little Italian, TINO CARDINALE (124¾), was too cagey and ringwise for crowd-pleasing BILLY LAMBERTON (129), winning a lop-sided decision over six rounds.

A poor crowd turned up to see this "TOPPER" BROWN-White City Sporting Club promotion at the Allan Ford Stadium, Durban, on August 8.

▶JOHNNY (SMILER) VAN RENSBURG (134), South African lightweight champion, easily beat ROY LOUW (133½). Louw retired at the end of the eighth session with a cut eye. The fight was a scheduled 12-rounder for the South African lightweight title.

VIC BREDENKAMP (166½), Cape Province middleweight champion, scored his second one-round knock-out win in three professional bouts. The victim was DANIE VAN DER ESTHUIZEN (155).

▶Former outstanding bantamweight JACKIE O'CONNOR (123½) showed glimpses of class in outpointing JOE LE GRANGE (124) by a mile over four stanzas. O'Connor might reach the top brackets again.

The Cape Town Sporting Club staged this show at the Old Drill Hall, Cape Town, on August 20.

▶I would appreciate it if promoters of non-European boxing shows would send me results of their tourneys (with short summaries of the main bouts) to reach me by the last day of each month. Reason is I want to include non-European boxing in my column. My address is: 264 Cape Road, Port Elizabeth, C.P., Union of South Africa.

NEWS FROM CUBA
By Dr. J. A. Vieites

HAVANA—PROMOTER OSCAR MARTINEZ—CONHILL, set a new record here when 8,026 fans attended the featherweight title bout between Ciro Morasen and challenger Puppy Garcia. The bout drew a net of $20,776.50, bettering the previous mark of $15,371.50 at the Sports Palace for the Puppy Garcia vs. Lauro Salas contest the month before.

Morasen, fighting thirteen years and champion for seven, stopped Garcia in 2 minutes of the twelfth and final round.

The pair slugged it out for six rounds but then the champion started a drive that ended with the kayo. It was a corking good bout. Several thousand fans were turned away.

In the ten round semi-final, Cuban welter king Chico Varona, 151¾, was given a split verdict in ten over Venezuelan welter king Ismael España, 152. In my score card España won 6-3-1.

When the verdict was announced a near riot took place.

Miguel Lazú, 117½, outpointed Víctor Recio, 117¼, in eight. Antonio (Chino) Bossas, 123, started his pro career, winning in 4 over Pedro Estrella, 125¼, and Chico Varona's brother, Héctor, 117, made his pro debut, stopping Raúl Pérez, 119, in one.

After the fights it was learned that Puppy García was unconscious 25 minutes after the k.o. He's well by now but will be kept at least three months on the sidelines.

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▶Havana: Cuban light-heavy king, Yova Kid, 174½, was stopped in the fifth of a non-title bout by Lino Rendón, 167¼. The American, Jimmy Beecham, 149, stopped Roland LaPlancha Rodríguez, 145½, in five.

Nené Ramírez, 145, won in six from Alberto Pérez, 147; Martín Delís, 160, won in 4 from Ray González, 160, and Rafael Martínez, 115¾, stopped Julio Rojas, 114½, in one.

▶Havana: Santiago Martinez, 124½, stopped Dick Powell, 122, Chicago, Ill., in the seventh of a scheduled tenner.

Sergio de Cárdenas, 126, also called La Araña (The Spider), looked fine outpointing Alfredo (Baby Palanca) Triana, 124½, in eight.

Tato Menéndez, 125, stopped Pablo Cárdenas, 122, in one: José Luis Hernández, 126, t.k.o. 3, Lázaro Hernández Kessell, 135¾, and Indio Casal, 126½, did the same in one to Alberto Mena, 128.

▶Havana: Cuban bantam king, Orlando Reyes, 117½, won a hard-fought fight from Panama bantam king Melvin Bourne, 121¾, in ten. If Reyes would fight more often and against good little fighters he'll soon find himself rated by The RING. Watch this boy, along with flyweight Oscar Suarez.

Juan Medina, 133¾, won a close eight from Julián Pérez, 132. Baby Rosales, 128½, stopped Chino Leyva, 129½, in one. José R. Flores, 141, won in 4 from Louis Oliva, 140, and Eddie Botello, 112½, won in 4 from Rafaél Correa, 112.

▶Havana: Miguel (La Diabla) Díaz, 146, stopped the American, Tino Longoría, 156½, in two. Venezuela's fly king, Ramón Calatayud, 111¾, scored a good win in eight over Dagoberto Fernández, 108.

Carlos Chivás, 142, won in six from Alberto Pérez, 144. Guillermo Díaz, 146, stopped Baby Colón, 145½, in 3. Miguel Cutiño, 134¾, drew in four with Ramón Boffill, 130.

IOWA-SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

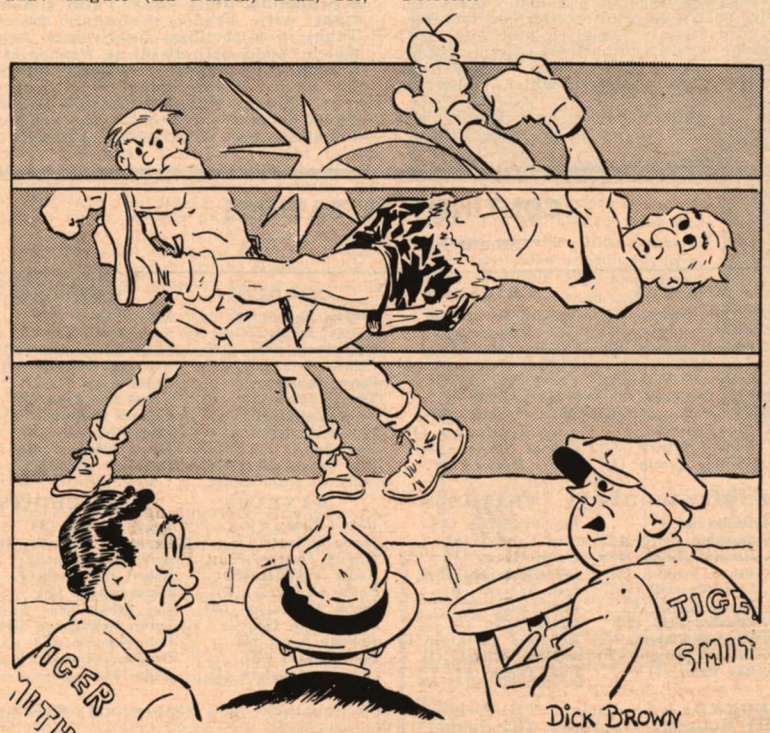
AMATEUR BOXING IS TAKING HOLD with the usual number of tournaments being lined up in South Dakota and the Northwest Iowa area.

▶Last Minute Sparks . . . Onawa, Ia., just 40 miles south of Sioux City had its first taste of big-name wrestling. The card was held in conjunction with the Monona County fair and a large crowd attended. . . . Larry Lewis, Cedar Rapids, Ia., reports that wrestling was held at the All-Iowa Fair for the first time with several top-names on the card. . . . Regular indoor wrestling in Cedar Rapids will start along about the time this hits the printer's ink. . . . Plans for indoor wrestling cards in several spots around Iowa are in the making. . . . Remember our address is 2206 N. Lafayette St., Sioux City, Ia. We still have some of last season's wrestling programs—yours free for a stamped addressed envelope. Amateur boxers in this area interested in the coming Sioux City Journal-Tribune Golden Gloves tourney can get complete information by writing to Bill Forbes, Sioux City, Iowa, c/o Sioux City Journal.

BOXING IN MONTANA AND THE NORTHWEST
By Bo "Bow Tie" Grmoljez

ALTHOUGH NO BOXING SHOW was held in Butte during the month of August, matchmaker Mel Epstein is busy lining up top-notch talent for the fall and winter season. The Butte scrappers, Eddie Lockett and Ray Martinez, have been offered matches in several cities and it is quite likely yours truly who handles the affairs of these two good crowd-pleasing youngsters, will accept bouts for them out of town.

▶Seattle with the "Ole" Professor." Jock Hurley at the helm has been featuring Bob Albright in the headline spots in the city of liquid "Sunshine." Hurley is a great sports character. The "Ole" boy knows a thing or two about boxing that a lot of the "Johnny come Lately Boys" could really put to use. Come to think about it, the first time that fella, Mel Epstein ran across the "Ole" "Professor" was way back in 1925 in Los Angeles when the man from "Dakota" was handling a couple of kids out of the grain country known as Earle Blue, Russie LeRoy and Billy Petrolle.



"But Notice How He's Learned To Roll With A Punch!"

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

by Charlie Parish

THERE were two or three minor sensations during August, sufficient to keep interest going until the new season. Hein ten Hoff got the shock of his life in Sweden where he was eclipsed by the young Ingo Johansson in a couple of minutes while Franko Festucci was pasted well and truly by the German middles champ, Hans Stretz, who thus becomes Humez's chief contender.

▶ **In Dortmund, Germany,** on September 4, Heinz Neuhaus, 216¾, Germany, won a ninth-round disqualification over Francesco Cavicchi, 202½, Italy, European heavyweight champion, tonight, but Cavicchi kept the title since the bout was billed as an exhibition.

The referee disqualified Cavicchi in the ninth round of their scheduled 10-round exhibition for "unsportsmanlike and unclean fighting."

The German Boxing Federation announced that Cavicchi's purse will be withheld "for the time being" until final approval of the verdict.

This was the first time Cavicchi appeared on a card without having the support of his home rooters. His entire ring career had previously been confined to Italian rings.

▶ Hilaire Pratesi, the popular Marseilles bantam, narrowly escaped with his life in a motor crash and at the time of writing is still critically ill. After the car crash of Robert Cohen and the shooting adventure of D'Agata, it would seem that there's a jinx on the gifted bantam line-up.

Uber Bacilieri got himself a hiding in Britain at the hands of Joe Erskine and Jeng Serres was iced by Dick Richardson in another heavy slam.

Sergio Milan won another bout in Australia and Nazzareno Gianelli was stopped in four by Little Cesar in the Philippines. Here are the results in detail.

▶ **Rome, Italy**—Hans Stretz achieved a tremendous success in his fight on Italian soil. The clean-cut German has made many impressive sorties beyond the German frontiers, namely in Britain, America and Spain. In France he was way ahead of Charles Humez when the miner clipped him in the ninth round with an equalizer which ended the fight.

For his Italian debut, the Teuton was presented with Franco Festucci, Rome's Golden Boy, as an opponent, a middleweight undefeated in nearly forty starts but for all that, a man who not yet tackled an opponent of class. Ten thousand jammed the Foro Italico to watch Festucci dispose of the German and get himself nominated as challenger to Humez.

▶ To confirm that all German battlers are not the usual pushovers imported into Italy, Rudi Langer boxed brilliantly against the torrid Milanese veteran, Alvaro Cerasani, whose usual kayo routine was upset by the Teuton's masterly style. The verdict of a draw after ten rounds got a poor reception from the fans and the press.

Tiberio Mitri looked good against Hamouda Bouraoui, defeating the Tunisian middle over ten while Alvara Strina checked the French middle, Maurice Laurin, in the fourth round.

▶ **Cadiz, Spain**—Pedro Antonio Jiminez, the Madrid Gypsy, came back to action with a conclusive win over the rolling stone, Antonio Lopez, who was halted in the eighth stanza of their middles encounter. In Madrid, Juan Cadalso gained the nod over Antonio Diaz in a fast bantam ten.

▶ **Rimini, Italy**—On the Cavicchi-Wiese bill, reported last month, Enrico Macale drew with Mafaldo Rinaldi in a lightweight eight and Duilio Bianchini trimmed Giovanni Bidini in a welter eight. In two middles clashes, Aristide Dal Piaz won by disqualification in the second round from Vannes Benassi, sparmate to Cavicchi, and Gino Campagna triumphed over the German, Karlheinz Bücher, over eight.

At St. Vincent, supporting bouts to the Loi-Hermal melée also had an international flavor. Aldo Pellegrini, brawny heavyweight southpaw from La Spezia, disposed of Hannes Scherbaum in three and Flaviano Ciancarelli was lucky to get the nod against Karlheinz Fiederichs in a fast feathers six.

▶ **Senigallia, Italy**—Ray Paini put matters right with Franco Antonini, the Human Tank, in a thrilling lightweight bout here which ended with Paini as winner after ten rounds, thus reversing a previous defeat at the hands of the redoubtable Franco.

At Lido di Camajore, Serigo Burchi continued to make progress in the pro ranks by defeating the experienced French cruiser, Alex Ceremonia, dropping the blond visitor several times and winning neatly over ten rounds.

At Ferrara, Big Bill Jacobson, the G. I. currently serving in Germany, made his second appearance against a European heavyweight. In his first outing he was flattened by Schiegl in Vienna. This time the honors fell to Uber Bacilieri, the Clouting Cobbler from Copparo, who stopped the Yank in round five after handing the guest quite a lacing. Antonio D'Angelo whipped Pietro Zampagilone in a feathers six.

▶ **Ostiglia, Italy**—Giannino Luise, the big Venetian, took on yet another fourth-rater in Michel Leorier, France, who was disposed of in six rounds.

At Busto Arsizio, Angelo Idi laced Renzo Pietosi in a middles eight and Felice Gallo whipped Remo Viarengo, the bout being stopped in the sixth round.

On the same program, a benefit affair for the dependents of the late Bruno Bisterzo, Giancarlo Garbelli boxed an exhibition with Annibale Omodei. At Cuneo, Piero Rolla stopped Renato Denti in the seventh of a bantam slam. Rollo's national title was not at stake.

▶ **Valencia, Spain**—A minor sensation was brought off here by the comparatively unknown welter, Manuel Salcedo, a local battler. In a hard twelve-rounder he succeeded in outscoring the strong Majorcan titleholder, Ramon Correa, and thus grabbed himself a national crown.

In Madrid, Ben Buker II gained the nod over Eugenio Bugallo in a welter ten and Jacinto Santin got himself a much-needed victory by winning via disqualification in the third over an American feather named Joe Rody.

In two lightweight disputes, Guillermo Moreno drew with Manrique over eight and Manuel Rodriguez whipped Fernandez, also in eight.

▶ **Ajaccio, Corsica**—The shade of Napoleon may have given a huzza of triumph if he happened to be around his birthplace the night the Chiocca brothers entertained two Belgian battlers who had strayed to the Isle of Vendattas. Sauveur, the elder, halted Edgard Delannoit—who is decidedly not the fighter he was, in the eighth round and Felix had a stiffer task against young Jean Paternotte, beating his man on points in a lightweight ten.

▶ **Dakar, French West Africa**—Anewy, the local middles champ, stopped Kid Cabral in six rounds and Bemba Kamara laced Mahmoud Farid, Egyptian bantam, over eight.

At Abidjan, Valère Benedetto proved that this strip of coast is not necessarily a White Man's Grave by retaining his French welter title against the local challenger, coal-black Benjamin Dambelé, over fifteen rounds. Nevertheless, Dambelé made a very great impression and obliged the champion to split the verdict.

▶ **Cannes, France**—That robust rugger-player, Emile Vidal, made another sortie into the cruiser ranks here, easily defeating the moustached Swiss champion, Hannes Schwerzmann, over ten rounds.

At Bayonne—Victor Pepeder, the newest Basque sensation, did quite well in stopping the Italian feather, Paolo Scoccimarro, in the tenth round of a lively slugging-bee. Franco Livio restored equilibrium by obtaining the decision over Jean Forgues in a Franco-Italian welter ten.

▶ **Pisa, Italy**—The heavier classes are certainly producing some talent in Italy of late. One of the latest additions to the cruiser dviision, Sergio Burchi, chalked up his fifth pro win by battering Morsli Sarahoui, Algeria, to defeat in five rounds whilst Luigi Male neatly outscored Michel Boulanger in a welter ten.

At Pistoia—Ivano Fontana obtained an unpopular win over the stringbean French

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

Month Ending Sept. 20, 1955

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Idrissa Dione (F)
2. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
3. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Charles Colin (F)	Hans Stretz (G)	Chris Christensen (D)
4. Kurt Schiegl (A)	William Besmanoff (G)	Claude Milazzo (F)	Bep can Klaveren (H)
5. Gunther Nurnberg (G)	Wim Snoek (H)	Pierre Langlois (F)	Kid Dussart (B)
6. Uber Bacilieri (I)	Ivano Fontana (I)	Tiberio Mitri (I)	Valere Benedetto (F)
7. Werner Wiegand (G)	Marcel Limage (B)	Peter Muller (G)	Jacques Herbillon (F)
8. Aldo Pellegrini (I)	Artemio Calzavara (I)	Franco Festucci (I)	Emilio Marconi (I)
9. Hans Friedrich (G)	Gunnar Nilsson (SW)	Max Resch (G)	Jacques Prigent (F)
10. Antonio Crosia (I)	Cesare Bagnoli (I)	Olle Bengtsson (SW)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Ray Famechon (F)	Robert Cohen (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Seraphin Ferrer (F)	Fred Galiana (S)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Nazzareno Gianelli (I)
3. Hoacine Khalfi (F)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Hilaire Pratesi (F)	Aristide Pozzali (I)
4. Bruno Visintin (I)	Jose Hernandez (S)	Andre Valignat (F)	Robert Mouginot (F)
5. Louis Carrara (F)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Emile Chemama (F)	Henri Schmit (F)
6. Laouri Godih (F)	Rudi Langer (G)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Guy Schatt (F)
7. Edouard Ptak (F)	Sergio Milan (I)	Piero Rollo (I)	Emile Delplanque (B)
8. Piet van Klaveren (H)	Mohamed Chickaoui (F)	Roberto Spina (I)	Pipo Dionisio (F)
9. Joseph Janssens (B)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Jean Renard (B)	Hilaire Gaviano (F)
10. Ray Paini (I)	Jules Touan (F)	Gaetano Annaloro (I)	Andre Jasse (F)

LEGEND: (A) Austria; (B) Belgium; (D) Denmark; (F) France; (G) Germany; (H) Holland; (I) Italy; (S) Spain; (SW) Sweden.

NB. Hein ten Hoff, German heavy, has announced his retirement.

cruiser, Serge Barthelemy, over ten whilst Luciano Raddi rid himself of veteran Widmer Milandri in the fourth of another cruiser clash. Gaetano de Lucia won by disqualification over Silvano Roteglia in the sixth round of a lightie larrup.

▶ **Leghorn, Italy**—Mario Rosellini fought a draw here with Mario Calcaterra in a lightie ten and at Voghera, Giuseppe D'Augusta broke the winning streak of Giancarlo Dugini by scraping home a narrow winner in a fast bantam eight.

At Migliarino—Antonio D'Angelo repeated his victory of the previous week by lacing Pietro Zampiglione in a feathers eight. At San Pancrazio di Russi—Evo Savini edged Giuseppe Capra in a lightweight eight.

▶ **Naples, Italy**—The big drums of publicity rolled across the hills here to announce one of the largest boxing shows to have taken place in sunny Napoli since can't remember when. Franco Cavicchi was on display as an essential ingredient but the new European heavyweight king did not exactly give the fans their money's worth. Having recklessly agreed to meet Willy Fanzlau of Germany (whom he had previously kayoed on three occasions) the good Franco sparred around for some while. In the fourth round Cavicchi took off his skates and made an end of Fanzlau.

Uber Bacilieri won a surprising triumph over another German, Werner Wiegand, in a heavyweight ten but it was Fernando Jannilli who put on the most brilliant show of the night, outscoring Jeng Serres of Luxembourg in a flamboyant cruiser eight which demonstrated some real boxing. Jannilli has about a fight a year, yet always makes a great impression when he can be bothered to make an effort.

Mario D'Agata stopped an unknown Egyptian bantam named Mahmoud Farid in the fourth round after the visitor had shown unusual speed and courage.

Emilio Marconi, national welter champ, gained the inevitable points win over the blond Frenchman, Gilbert Ussin, a battler who loses regularly but only via the points route. Finally, Aristide Dal Piaz decisioned the cagey double-champion of Austria, Leo Starosch, in a middles eight.

▶ **Padua, Italy**—Giannino Luise continued his slow path to the top, this time taking care of Pierre Debrossard, France, in the sixth of a fairly active heavyweight scrap.

Some newcomers to the pro ranks made their bow. A new heavy, Federico Friso outfought the statuesque Senegal Negro, Paul Sylva, in a rugged six, young Giuliano Friso nodded Ray Vigneron of France in a welter six, Antonio Pippa was lucky to get a draw against Michel Diouf in a middles six and the fourth newcomer, Arnaldo Camporese, lost on points to Salah Mohamed of France in another middles six.

▶ **Madrid, Spain**—Manolo Garcia knocked out the French blond, André Clabec, in the third of a feathers slam here whilst champeen José Hernandez continued his winning ways by outpointing clever Jimmy Black of Trinidad in an excellent feathers ten. José Gonzales, Spain's heavyweight kingpin, made a return to action by knocking out the Belgian, Louis Dominico, in round three.

▶ **Essen, Germany**—Peter Müller scored a rather dubious victory over the Belgian veteran, Kid Dussart. After four rounds which showed Müller to be the better man, Black Peter got excited and started to hit low. He was warned for this, boxed on and then dropped the Belgian with a doubtful left hook to the liver region. Dussart regained his feet at "nine" but was not fit to continue.

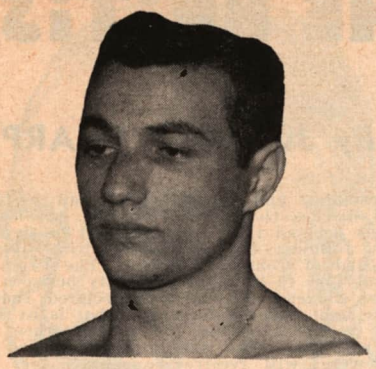
Heinz Sachs was rewarded with a draw against Winnfried Henne in a cruiser eight but this decision is to be examined as Henne was clear points winner. In a heavyweight slam, Hans Brendemühl knocked out the Belgian, Marcel Didier, in two while Karl-heinz Bücher stiffened Alois Formella in the third of a middles encounter. Walter Sturms decisioned Erich Schröllkamp in a middles four.

▶ **Barcelona, Spain**—Lopez Durban stopped Juan Castellanos in the fourth of a bantam slam here whilst at Madrid, Manuel Rodriguez nodded Vincente Romero in a lightweight eight.

▶ **Salsomaggiore, Italy**—Giancarlo Garbelli, defeated by Loi in an attempt to wrest away the lightweight crown, has decided to throw in his lot with the welters. In his first outing, Garbelli made a very good job of beating the experienced German, Freddi Teichmann, in a hard ten-rounder which featured the Italian as winner of nearly every round.

Aristide Pozzali was equally impressive in thrashing the French bantam, Pierre Gress, over eight rounds and Ray Paini boxed well to earn the nod over Pierre Sarkissian, the Franco-Armenian welter who has done so well of late in Italian rings.

Giannino Luise stopped Loreto Vari in the third of a heavyweight maul and Ernesto Ballabio drew with Remo Viarengo in a lightweight eight.



Hilaire Pratesi, stylish French bantam, who was latest victim of "jinx" that seems to be hounding world's leading 118-pounders. Pratesi was critically injured in automobile crash, and his ring future is doubtful.

▶ **Rome, Italy**—Armando Mattei won a close points affair from the Austrian cruiser, Hubert Wenninger, over eight rounds.

At Messina, Mario D'Agata was by far too good for the Spanish bantam, José Luis Martinez, and made an end of the massacre in the eighth round.

Guido Mazzinghi was equally successful against another Iberian, welter Antonio Lopez, who was defeated over eight rounds and Cosime Pezzuto drew with D'Augusta in a bantam eight.

▶ **Berck-Plage, France**—Léon Maret became the new welter champion of Flanders by whipping the title-holder, René Brunet, over eight rounds. Ray Seneca drew with André Mullebrouck in a middles ten.

▶ **Gothenburg, Sweden**—A crowd of twenty thousand saw one of the quickest big fights to take place in Sweden since Otto von Porat creased Harry Persson in less than a round some quarter of a century ago. That demolition of Big Harry put paid to big-time boxing in Sweden for a few years.

The rapid win obtained by the latest Northern Light, Ingemar Johansson, should put the glove sport right back among Sweden chief industries. For Johansson's opponent this time was none other than big Heinten Hoff, the German veteran who only recently lost a narrow decision to Heinz Neuhaus after a gory duel.

▶ Hein is certainly a vintage battler but still class. Johansson, on the other hand, was disputing his twelfth bout and it was generally felt that Ten Hoff would be too tough a nut for the Swede to digest. As the bell sounded for the opening round, Ten Hoff went into the attack but Ingo parried his blows very cleverly and boxed his way out of trouble, then counterattacked with lefts and rights to the head of the tall German. After more sparring the Swede ducked a straight left and stepped inside to deliver a cracking right hook to Ten Hoff's throat. The lanky Teuton fell like a log, staggered back to his feet as referee Andy Smythe called "out." The jubilation of the Swedes can be imagined.

At 195, Johansson gave away no less than forty pounds to the 6 ft. 5 inch German. The Vicious Viking is still a novice in the paid ranks and a clear points win over Ten Hoff might have been more useful to his experience. But the knockout was masterly and Cavicchi, Neuhaus & Co. must look to their laurels.

All the other bouts registered Swedish victories. Lejf Wadling boxed his way to a brilliant win over Freddie Reardon, England, in a feathers eight, Gunnar Nilsson clearly outscored Simon Ayankin, Senegal, in a cruiser six and Olle Bengtsson chalked up his best win to date by defeating Alex Buxton in a middles eight. Aldo Pellegrini, Italian heavyweight, won in the fifth round against Ansell Adams, Trinidad, when the latter retired with a damaged arm.

▶ **Savigliano, Italy**—Aldo Pellegrini scored a rather empty victory here over the German cruiser, Winnfried Henne, 178. Pellegrini, 212, roughed things up as usual and butted Henne's eye open in the first round; in the third he slung over a left hook to the liver which stretched the Rhinelander out.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By Lewis Eskin

BOXING IN JERSEY IS SLOWLY RETURNING to life. In the past two months there were two shows staged, and on Sept. 27th the Trenton Arena under the matchmaking of Duke Stefano of Weehawken, one of the best in the country, returns to action starting out on a by-monthly schedule. Atlantic City may also start running before too long.

Joey Durando of Lynhurst, who captured the Pan-American Games welterweight title this past summer, launched his pro career with a four round kayo over Andy Jones at Los Angeles recently.

▶ A hugh benefit staged by the National Guard under the direction of Frank Cunardi drew a fine turnout of 4,500 to Hinchcliffe Stadium, Paterson, to see home town idol Vince Martinez, the fourth ranked welterweight contender, in action. Showing far from top form, Vince had a rough evening with aggressive, willing but crude Bob Provizzi of Freeland, Pa., although he won the decision of referee Paul Cavilier, who scored it 6-3-1 for Vince. Vince dropped Bob flat on his face with a nice one-two at the end of the sixth round, and he himself hit the deck, when caught by a right to the jaw, off balance in the 8th.

Bernie Lynn, 139, Jamaica, L. I., scored a big upset by kayoing Johnny DiGilio, 140, of Bayonne, in 1:.. of the first. Lynn decked Johnny three times. Nicki Gadson, 136, Elizabeth, scored a kayo over Walter Johnson, 135, Paterson, when their fight was stopped in 1:16 of the fourth, due to a deep cut in Walter's left eye lid.

Gene Washington, 159, Elizabeth, got the best of the call in edging out Jimmy Skinner, 158, New York, and Charley Jones, 189, beat his fellow Newarker, Chuck Welton, 184, in the four rounders. The gate was $9,563.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

BRITISH boxing fans are hoping that the all-heavyweight card with which Jack Solomons opened the 1954-55 season will be the signal for a revival of activity throughout the United Kingdom.

The recent summer campaign was the drabbest Britain has known in more years than I'd like to recall. There were some weeks when only three or four shows were staged, and one week the sum total of production amounted to exactly ONE card! What a letdown from the busy era, not so long ago, when anywhere from thirty to forty shows were staged weekly throughout England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland!

Many reasons have been advanced for the discouraging slump in British boxing, but the main one continues to be the heavy amusement tax, which makes it difficult, if not impossible, for a promoter to operate steadily and profitably. Another reason has been the lack of outstanding homebred talent.

But better times would seem to be ahead. Of late quite a few likely youngsters have popped into the scene, and they've had much to do with reviving interest in boxing. The big tax is still with us, of course, but it is hoped something will be done shortly to ease the burden of the promoters and encourage more activity throughout the British Isles.

▶ It is with extreme regret that I must record the passing, at the age of 55, of George Dingley, who had spent almost a lifetime in boxing. A boxer in his youth George had gone on to become outsanding as promoter and manager. Among the fighters he handled were Benny Lynch, the great little Scot who held the world flyweight title, and Ronnie Clayton, the former British and Empire featherweight champion. At the time of his death, Dingley was managing Johnny Sullivan, ex-British middleweight champion. Probably George's most notable promotion was the Lynch-Peter Kane bout in Glasgow which attracted the largest outdoor attendance in Scottish boxing history. Among his recent activities, Dingley had been adviser to boxing promotions at Belle Vue, Manchester, and for several years he was chairman of the Central Area Council of the British Boxing Board of Control. George will be missed by the British boxing fraternity.

▶ With the coming of Commerical Television to the British Isles, one wonders what the outcome will be and the effect on the gates to the promotions. Because of falling off of attendances in America to big boxing Arenas. The British Boxing Board of Control has announced it will allow Only one show in 14 days to be televised. Boxing promoters and managers have had meetings to discuss the division of T.V. monies. It was decided that the fees shall be devided as follows:—5% to The British Boxing Board of Control, 47½% to The Promoter and 47% to be divided equally between the two Boxers. It was also declared that if the bout ended before time, that is by K.O. or referee stopping the contest, then any other bout that will be put on for the viewers, will receive a separate fee. The Board of Control, also announced that every promotion will have a chance for a T.V. date.

This will rule out any monopoly for any single Pomotion as is allowed in America.

It is interesting to state, that I staged the first Television Boxing Programme in 1933, at The British Broadcasting House, London. Those taking part were Archie Sexton versus Laurie Rateri, also Bill Lewis versus Freddie Baxter. The referee was the late C. H. Douglas; Master of Ceremonies, Pat Regan; seconds were "Snowy" Buckingham and Mike Milligan. Introduced from the RING that night was Jim Mollinson, who had just at that time flown round The World, and the first appearance in Great Britain of Walter Neusel of Germany.—THE fee for boxers was the big amount of Fifteen Pounds-Fifteen shillings,—(Less than 50 dollars).

Soon after this event I made a statement that the future will see "Studio boxing", This was more than twenty years ago, and from advices in America, it seems that my prediction is about to come true.

Jack Harding, manager of The NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, has announced that the Club is moving from The Mayfair Hotel to The Cafe Royal, Regent Street, London.

RESULTS OF THE MONTH

▶ **LIVERPOOL STADIUM.**—Ex-British Middleweight Champion Johnny Sullivan, Preston, 161¾, made a big mistake. He came to Towne. Artie Towne, New York, 159½, that is, and believe me, it's just about the biggest mistake young Johnny is ever likely to make, for the colored New Yorker did a little going to town, too, and the consequence was that at the end of forty-three seconds of the first round, Sullivan was hanging helplessly over the ropes after taking three counts, and referee Ben Green stepped wisely in and called a halt. Towne, surely one of the hardest punchers in the middleweight division, simply decimated Johnny, while the large crowd sat amazed at the ease with which Towne accomplished his task. . . . Alby Tissong, South Africa, 134, and Jackie Butler, Preston, 137, drew over eight rounds. . . . Tommy Molloy, Liverpool, 144, knocked out Andy Baird, Birmingham, 138, in the second round. . . . Johnny Delmore, Leeds, seemed unfortunate to lose on points to Bobby Gill, Birkenhead, 141, over six rounds. . . . Terry McHale, Liverpool, 122, took five counts before losing on points to Alf Cottam, Preston, 126, over four rounds. . . . Johnny Summers, Liverpool, 177, and Johnny Zedd, Bradford, 171, fought hard for four rounds before Summers took a narrow points win.

▶ **BELFAST**—Teddy Peckham, Bournemouth, 124½, wrote a huge question mark, if not 'finis' to the career of ex-British, Empire and European Bantamweight Champion, John Kelly, Belfast, 125½, who is now trying to establish himself as a featherweight contender. Peckham, who came bounding from his corener at the opening bell, intent on an early finish, soon had the Irishman in trouble, and had him down for two long counts before applying the finish.

David Gogotya, South Africa, 118, won over George O'Neill, Belfast, 118½, when O'Neill, who had received a badly cut eyebrow was forced to retire in the fourth session. . . . Vincent O'Kine, Gold Coast, 159½, stopped Jackie Braddock, Manchester, 160½, in the second.

Jim Brown, Belfast, 125¾, stopped after Tiller had taken eight counts, and the referee halted the scheduled eight rounder in the second . . . . Charlie Cosgrove, Belfast, 144¾, won from Eddie Baker, Bournemouth, 139¾, when Baker received a badly gashed eyebrow, and the referee intervened in the last round.

▶ **LIVERPOOL STADIUM**—British and Empire Middleweight Champion Pat McAteer, Brikenhead, 158, had to fight hard all the way to outpoint Andre Drille, France, 158¾, over ten rounds. McAteer seemed nonplussed at Drille's southpaw stance, and it was sometime before he was able to offer any effective resistance to the wrong way Frenchman.

Frankie Sayers, Newcastle, 124, smartly outpointed Billy Spittle, Pontefract, 129, over six rounds. . . . Teddy Barrow, Swansea, 145, outpointed Stan Barnett, Newton-le-Willows, 144, over six. . . . Percy James, Southsea, 127, outpointed Charlie Adumasi, Gold Coast, 126, over six rounds. . . . Teddy Williams, Huddersfield, 171, won over Johnny Summers, Liverpool, 178, over four rounds. . . . In another four rounder, Don Martin, Formby, 126, outscored Martin Tolan, Leeds, 130.

▶ **BUXTON**—Phil Mellis, Stalybridge, 143, outscored Teddy Teale, Doncaster, 147, over eight rounds. . . . Johnny Skelly, Belfast, 140, outpointed Jack Lewis, Manchester, 141, over six. . . . Peter Dawson, Ripponden, 152, outpointed Jimmy Turner, Manchester, 152, over four rounds. . . . Johnny Barr, Stockport, 120, defeated Jackie Tiller, Manchester, 116½, in the second of a six rounder, when the latter retired with a back injury. . . . Willie Carr, Stockport, 145½, stopped Bamber Gaye, West Africa, 140, the referee halting the bout in the fourth when Gaye was in a bad way.

▶ **SHEFFIELD**—Gordon Goodman, Christchurch, 137½, scored an unexpected victory over Alby Tissong, South Africa, 140, over ten rounds. Goodman used his height and reach advantage to the full and boxed cooly to run up the necessary points. . . . Ron Crookes, Sheffield, 177, outpointed Neville Rowe, Liverpool, 176, over eight non stop rounds. . . . Len Lowther, Doncaster, 157, punched too hard for Jim Lindley, Doncaster, 162, the latter retiring in the seventh of an eight rounder. . . . Billy Cobb, Chesterfield, 137, outpointed Jeff Walters, Scarborough, 138½, over six. . . . Cliff Lawrence, Rotherham, 150½, won from Don Cope, Sheffield, 148¾, when the latter was disqualified in the fourth for an alleged low blow.

▶ **BELFAST**—Mickey Doherty, Belfast, 160, had an easy win over Don Williams, Southall, 154½, winning in the fifth round when Williams was in a bad way. . . . Sonny Quinn, Buncrara, 157¼, knocked out Roy Shafron, Harrow, 156½, in the second. . . . Michael Feeney, Banbridge, 125½, stopped Jackie Davison, Belfast, 131½, in the eighth and last round. . . . Jim Loughrey, Derry, 114½, stopped Johnny Shields, Belfast, 116, in the eighth. . . . Johnny 'Red' Doran, Derry, 137½, stopped Cecil Martin, Belfast, 131, in the fourth.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to September 20, 1955)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Don Cockell (E)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Pat McAteer (E)	George Barnes (A)
2. Earl Walls (C)	Randy Turpin (E)	Les Allen (E)	Hector Constance (T)
3. Jack Gardner (E)	Ed Polly Smith (Be)	Johnny Sullivan (E)	Vincent O'Kine (WA)
4. James J. Parker (C)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Terence Murphy (E)	Attu Clottey (WA)
5. Johnny Williams (E)	Ron Barton (E)	Gordon Wallace (C)	Peter Waterman (E)
6. Joe Erskine (W)	Arthur Howard (E)	Billy Ellaway (E)	Benny Nieuwenhizen (SA)
7. Henry Cooper (E)	Bruce Farthing (A)	Mike Holt (SA)	Wally Thom (E)
8. Joe Bygraves (E)	Johnny Halafihi (To)	Jimmy Elliott (SA)	Peter King (E)
9. Johnny Arthur (SA)	Albert Finch (E)	Charley Chase (C)	George Happe (E)
10. Allan Williams (A)	Doug Harper (C)	Lew Lazar (E)	Boswell St. Louis (T)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Richie Howard (C)	Billy Kelly (I)	Willie Toweel (SA)	Dai Dower (W)
2. Frankie Johnson (E)	Sammy McCarthy (E)	Peter Keenan (E)	Jake Tuli (SA)
3. Johnny v.Rensberg(SA)	Hogan Bassey (WA)	Bobby Sinn (A)	Jimmy Quinn (S)
4. Armand Savoie (C)	Elijah Mokone (SA)	Fernand Gagnon (C)	Teddy Rainbow (A)
5. Joe Lucy (E)	Charley Hill (S)	Mannie Francis (WA)	Eddie O'Connor (I)
6. Jerry Drouin (C)	Teddy Peckham (E)	Jimmy Cardew (E)	Jerry Jooste (SA)
7. Gordon Goodman (E)	Charley Tucker (E)	David Gogoyta (SA)	Frank Bennett (A)
8. Jackie Butler (E)	Freddie Reardon (E)	George O'Neill (I)	Vince Blake (A)
9. Leo Molloy (E)	Sammy Bonnici (M)	Eddie Carson (S)	Taffy Hancock (A)
10. Alby Tissong (SA)	Ken Lawrence (E)	John Smillie (S)	Marcus Temple (SA)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Barbados; (BE) Bermuda; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England (F) Fijij Islands (I) Ireland! (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (NZ) New Zealand; (W) Wales (GC) Gold Coast (WA) West Africa (TO) Tonga.

▶ **WEST HARTLEPOOL**—Brian London, Blackpool, 190, won convincingly over Robert Eugene, 233, over the eight rounds course. London, travelling the full course for the first time, boxed well and ran up a commanding lead over his far heavier opponent. . . . Jack London, Blackpool, 169½, knocked out Stan Lotriet, South Africa, 173, in the second round.

Manuel Burgo, North Shields, 189½, won from Cliff Purnell, Bath, 191½, when the latter was disqualified in the third for an alleged breach of the rules. . . . John Smillie, Fauldhouse, 119, outpointed Mickey Roche, Dublin, 120, over eight. . . . Eddie Baker, Bournemouth, 140¾, stopped Colin Stirzaker, Middlesborough, 143, in the third. . . . Martin Toland, Easington, 128, drew with Johnny Barr, Stockport, 129¾, over four rounds.

▶ **LIVERPOOL**—Billy Ellaway, Liverpool's hard hitting middleweight, 161¾, had to pull out in the last round to gain a close decision over Abe Quartey, Gold Coast, 160. The bout was fought at a great pace, first Ellaway taking the lead and then Quartey. With his great recuperating powers, Quartey fought back to surprise Ellaway in the fifth with a right to the jaw. Ellaway crumpled to the canvas, and at nine rose unsteady, and was saved by the bell. It was a real 8 round thriller.

A welcome return to the ring after an absence of three years, Vic Harrison, Birkenhead, 164¼ took 98 seconds of the first round to put paid to Tom Meli, Belfast, 164¾. Before retiring, Harrison showed great promise as a middleweight. Now that he is more settled, we may hear big things from Vic. The first right cross to the jaw was a corking punch. Tom Cavanagh, Birkenhead, 151, scored a five round K.O. over Tex Williams, Carlisle, 146. Billy Spittle, Barnsley, 132, outpointed Ken Scott, Gateshead, 127½, in six. Jimmy Cottrill, Birkenhead, 138, outpointed John Spittle, Barnsley, 140, in six.

▶ **BELFAST**—Garnett Denny, Belfast, 185, gained a points win over Eric Metcalf, Northwich, 181¼, after 8 rounds. Jim Brown, 128½, and Jim Fisher, 127½, both Belfast lads gave the fans more than their money's worth in the short time that they were in the ring. Brown brought the contest to a closure when he put Fisher through the ropes in the second round and was counted out. Sammy Worrall, Warrington, 164½, knocked out Jim Townsley, Belfast, 152½, in the first. Michael Feeney, Banbridge, 126½, outpointed Trevor Martin, Bangor, 128½, in a hard fought eight rounder. John "Red" Doran, Derry, 133, stopped Jack Watson, Belfast, 125¾, in the second.

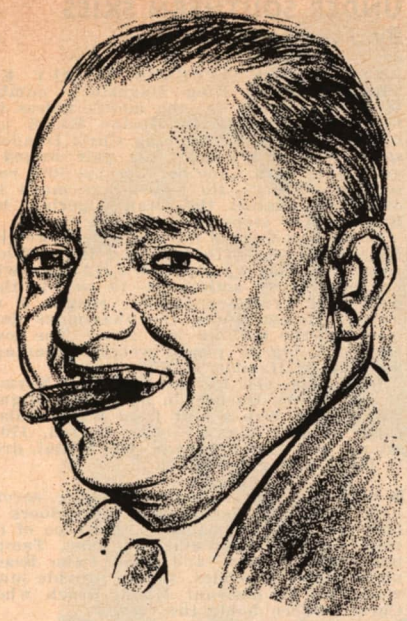
▶ **WEST HARTLEPOOL**—Kitione Lave, known as the Tongan Torpedo, 198¾, was lowered in class for after his poor showing against Johnny Williams, he was put in with Manuel Burgo, North Shields, 190, whose record reads as having won seven bouts out of seven. In his eighth and against Lave, he lasted 71 seconds. In that time, he took a lacing from a more experienced fighter. The referee wisely intervened to save Burgo from taking still more punishment.

Johnny Delmore, Leeds, 136, scored a convincing points win over Irvine Newton, Thorne, 137½, in a six rounder. Dennis Yearby, Leeds, 144½, stopped Stan Barnett, Newton-le-Willows, 142¾, in the second. Ron Batey, Throckley, 162, stopped Arnold Beaumont, Leeds, 161, in the second. Eric Greaves, Middlesborough, 120¼, making his first professional appearance knocked out Joe Mallon, Thornaby, 123½, in the second round.

▶ **CARDIFF**—Joe Erskine, Cardiff, won his 23rd bout over 10 rounds when he defeated Uber Bacileri, of Italy. The Welshman, who is one of our young heavyweight prospects, and is becoming very popular in Wales, started off in a moderate manner, but after the half way mark he put on speed and the Italian could not keep pace with him. At the end of the tenth round while Erskine was still fresh, Bacileri was all in and barely lasted the distance. If only Joe Erskine could develop a K.O. punch, there would not be many who could stay with him.

▶ **PORTSMOUTH**—Gordon Goodman, Christchurch, 135, and Allan Tanner, British Guiana, 137, met for the sixth time, with the scores now 4 for Goodman, and two for Tanner. On this occasion, Goodman scored with his long left leads, and was a worthy winner at the end of the eight rounds.

Neville Rowe, the Young Australian, 172, punished Johnny Smith, Portsmouth, 174½, that it was no surprise when the referee intervened in the fourth to save a game man unnecessary punishment. Mick Endley, Southampton, and Charlie Lake, Catford, fought like bearcats in their six round middleweight contest before Endley received the award. Peter Fay, Bournemouth, stopped Derek John, Catford, in the fifth of their featherweight contest.



Jack Solomons, London's outstanding promoter, who began his 1955-56 schedule with all-heavyweight card that was expected to revive waning boxing activity in Britain.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Billy Colbert

ORLANDO ZULUETA OF HAVANA, Cuba, won a ten round decision over Glen Flanagan of St. Paul at Elmira, N. Y.

▶ Dennis Stecher and Wally Karbo, Minneapolis promoters, are planning an all heavyweight boxing card featuring such heavyweights as Vince Donnelly, Gene White, Don Jasper, Duluth in a triple windup in the next show.

▶ Jackie Graves is busy training under the direction of Leo Ryan for his comback and with a few more warm up fights should be headlining and drawing crowds around the northwest. He is one of the hardest punchers in the featherweight class.

▶ Shrine Auditorium, Duluth, Minn.—Vince Donnelly, 202, Minneapolis, defeated James Pace, Chicago, 185, by a t.k.o. in the fourth round.

Don Jasper, Duluth, 196, won an eight round decision over Mickey Sennett, Chicago, 197. Gene White, St. Paul, 201, defeated Joe Makoota, 206, Milwaukee, in a six rounder.

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BOXING IN CURACAO
By R. Koeiman

SUGAR RAY NANDO, 150, the Netherland Antilles middleweight champion , blasted Young Tunney into a state of insensibility in the fourth round of their scheduled ten rounder at Monte Carmelo Square Garden. Tunney started off the first round by exploding a terrific right hook to the champ head which dropped the latter for eight-count. Tunney made his best showing in the first and second rounds when he again floored Nando for another eight-count. He had the champ on a verge of a knockout. But the champ weathered the storm. In the fourth round Nando turned furiously upon his opponent with lefts and rights to the body and had Tunney helpless against the ropes. The champ cut loose with another series of lefts and rights that dropped Tunney for the full count.

In the eight-round semi-windup, K. O. McKoy, 147, Aruba outstanding weltherweight battler, won a clean cut decision over Kid Victor, 147, of Curacao. This was the best bout of the evening.

Henry Paals, 159, decisioned Fellow Richard, 155, in a six rounder. Though Richard was K.O. in the last round he was saved by the bell.

In the opener four-round, Kid Paco, 126, decisioned Caco Kid, 130.

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NORTHWESTERN REPERCUSSIONS
By Hugh Sutton

MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO . . . Harley Breshears K.O.'ed Glenn Bethke former National Inter-collegiate lightheavy champ, in two rounds. Breshears had Bethke down three times. Bethke weighed 197 and Breshears at 187.

Dick Lane took an easy 6-rounder over Eddie Di Sosa of Fargo, N. D., scoring two knockdowns enroute. Lane 152, Di Sosa, 149.

▶ Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. . . . Fight manager Ted Walker took his two fighters, Dick Lane and Harley Breshears to the far north of this State and got wins for the both of the punch-for-pay boys.

Breshears, weighing 182, stopped Dave Roy, who weighted 194, Roy was stopped at 1:14 of the fourth. Although Breshears had him in serious trouble since the start of the second round.

In the other half of the doubleheader, Dick Lane, an up-and-coming middleweight from Billings, Montana, stopped Richie Lopez of L. A. in the third round of their scheduled 10-rounder.

▶ Winnemucca, Nev. . . . Fight-pilot Al Berro took his two fighters in a Southerly direction from Boise and he also picked two wins.

Vincent Echevaria chased, punched and cut Joe Murphy for ten rounds. Murphy had everybody and everything on his side except the Boise Basque. The referee would stop the fight for a short spell and would use a sponge he was carrying to wipe the blood from Murphy's face. Manager Berro complained about this, bit it did no good. Echevaria weighed 148 and Murphy 142.

Roque Maravilla picked up his fourth win since turning pro, by taking a four round decision from Ruben Smith from Seattle. Maravilla weighed 192 and Smith 187.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By Billy Shaw

IN ONE OF THE ROUGHEST BRAWLS seen here since the memorable Tony DeMarco-Carmen Basilio title scrap, welterweight champion Basilio took the decision over Gil Turner, strong Philadelphia challenger, in a 10 round non-title fight. With Syracuse and nearby areas blacked out, the fight was televised over a national hook-up. Those who paid to view it numbered 4,676 laying it on the line to the tune of $21,103.

There has been plenty of wild, vicious action in the War Memorial Squared Circle since Promoter Norm Rothschild took over the ring game here, but this one, jointly promoted by Jim Norris and the IBC really topped them all. The iron bodied champion took a lot of punishment from the energetic, relentless Turner, but Gil took a lot more and was in a bad way twice in the early rounds and again in the final stanza. The vote of the officials follows: Judge Dick Albino: Basilio 5 rounds, Turner 5 rounds; Judge Ted Shields: Basilio 7 rounds ,Turner 2 rounds, 1 even. Referee Ruby Goldstein: Basilio 5 rounds, Turner 3 rounds, 2 even. The weights: Basilio 150 pounds, Turner 151 pounds.

Juan Tjeda, Oneida, 150, outpointed Philly Williams, 147, Chicago (6); Tommy Bain, 126, Indianapolis, scored a TKO over Jimmy DeMura, 129, Syracuse, (cut eye) 4; Henry (Toothpick) Brown, 135, Philadelphia, won over Charley McGarrity, 132, Brooklyn (6); George Kartalian, Syracuse, former intercollegiate champion, 175, beat Jack Sellin, 185, Buffalo, in a six, winning easily. Joey Prince, 127, Syracuse beat Georgie Murray, 126, Rochester (4).

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UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

KENNY LANE APPEARS FIRMLY ENTRENCHED as Ring Magazine's number seven lightweight for the month unless his 10 round victory over Hocine Khalfi ups him a peg or two. Topping Chris Dundee's show at Miami Beach, this pair waged a good fight with Lane earning his 10th consecutive victory. He had things much his own way against the Oran Algerian, but Khalfi never stopped trying.

In the best fight of the night, heavyweights Mike Hammer, of Detroit, and Hans Friedrich, of Germany, supplied 2,172 fans with hot and heavy action the 10 rounds they went and Promoter Dundee sought a rematch. Hammer won the unanimous decision but the tabbing was close. The loser carried a big 15 pound weight advantage, 200 against Hammer's 185.

Ray Reed, 144, Hartford, TKOed Norman Bennette, 145, Quebec, in one. Jose Miguel, 208, Tampa, won a four from Willie Gulatt, same weight, Miami. Oscar Burton, 170½, Miami, and Carl Ferguson, 165, Miami, drew in four. The gate: $4,806.

▶ With the Fall season approaching, several fight clubs in Florida will open doors to help the army of boxers at this time of the year to move around and keep busy. Tampa, under Lou Viscusi, and West Palm Beach, under Gabe Menendez, should provide much work, not to discount Miami Beach where Chris Dundee holds the fort.

▶ Amateur boxing under sponsorship of the Tampa Junior Chamber of Commerce will get under way not long off, according to our good friend and sports writer Ernie Jernigan. At Golden Gloves Tournament time the Tampa winners will appear in the sectionals at Jacksonville later.

▶ Promoter Harold Meads, former Jacksonville boxer, is at the promotional helm in Augusta, Ga., and judging by the way of action, he's going to do okay. A thousand fans were on hand for his August third show, featured by Vernon Parker, 150, Aiken, South Carolina, and Bill Godfrey, 150, of Charlotte. This mainer lasted seven rounds with Parker the victor. Parker hit the deck in the opening round but got up to place Godfrey there in the third and fifth and see him saved in the sixth. Then came the seventh.

The six-semi had Walter Irby, 157, Columbia, decisioning Alex Cummings, 155, Augusta, in a good bout. Cummings was felled twice in the melee, yet still carried the fight to Irby.

This time no alibi can be offered by Julio Mederos in losing his second decision to Harold Carter. A repeat performance at Miami Beach convinced Mederos that Carter was his master. When in their first tiff, Julio blamed improper condition for his upset by the Linden, N. J., heavyweight, he can only say now Harold is the better man between them. Carter scored easily to cart home the unanimous nod but Mederos made it interesting despite the score cards of Referee Billy Regan and Judges Gus Jacobson and Carl Gardner. The loser weighed 193¼ and hails from Havana, Cuba. The victor tipped 189½.

A crowd of 2,866 paying $6,046 found the action best in rounds two, six, eight and ten. Carter's close-in attack was the feature, and his shots to the middle were noticeable.

The fans booed the semi-eight between Jimmy Beecham, 150½, Miami, and Willie (Kid) Johnson, 146½, Jacksonville, taken by Beecham, a slow show they all thought Rudy Ortega, 126½, Havana, annexed a good sixer from Mario Colon, 128, Puerto Rico. Mike Doer, 121½, Tampa, engaged Bunky Frazier, 128, Washington, D. C., and earned the nod after six rounds of good fighting. Tony Necro (Eddie Necro), 154, Miami, drew in four with Joe Louis II, 154½, of Augusta, Ga. Chris Dundee promoted.

▶ Miguel Diaz did it again at Miami Beach, winning a 10 rounder and keeping his slate at the Resort clean as a whistle. The opposition didn't measure up to standard in the form of Carlos Sarlo and the bout wasn't anything to brag about. Diaz tipped 146¾ and he comes from Havana, Cuba. Sarlo, suffering his fourth loss in 22 trips to the ring, weighed 144½. His home is Chicago.

Yama Bahama, 151½, faced Jimmy Ford in a tenner and whereas he had dropped two nods to the Miamian, the Bahaman changed sides and shellacked Ford for an easy decision. Ford at 148¼. Leftie Andy Arel, 132, Philadelphia, sent Speedy Davidson, 125, back to Tampa in speedy fashion. Arel knocked out Davidson in 1:58 of round two. Rudy Ortega, 126, Havana, won a fine four from Mike Doer, 122½, Tampa. Tony Necro and Joe Louis (no doubt Louis number two) fought to a four round draw. Chris Dundee promoted and the gate was $4,160 from 2,030 customers.

Again, two former lightweight champs, both Georgia-born, Ike Williams, of Brunswick, and Beau Jack, of Augusta, tangled in the latter city and it was Williams who triumphed in the ninth round by a technical knockout over the bashed Beau. Pathetic would be the word most suitable to describe the game Augustan and we hope for his sake as well as for boxing, he hangs them up for good.

Williams took charge after the third round and Jack was like putty in his hands there-on. Realizing his superiority, Ike hesitated his best shots and held Beau in the sixth and seventh. Working to the head and body in the eighth that left the local battler in bad shape, Williams pulled aside hoping the referee, J. T. Gillian, to stop it. Only after Beau was battered and bleeding and the crowd yelling for it to be stopped did Gillian take heed and then came the ninth when the referee would not let Beau answer. Williams, who lives in Trenton, N. J., displayed true sportsmanship, four times backing away from his helpless adversary.

George Walker, 98, and Kid Pie, 101, both of Augusta, drew in three good rounds. Honey Brown, 147, Miami, beat Alvin Hawkins, 140, local, in four. Walter Irby, 158, Columbia, won a splitter from Young Joe Louis, 159, Augusta. Ronald Walker, 122, whipped Billy Kelsey, 121, both local.

▶ Unlike in their first clash when they set the house on fire, the Mike Hammer-Hans Friedrich returner failed to ignite the first spark at Miami Beach. Hammer, tough young Detroit heavyweight, won his second decision over the big German in a 10 round headliner. The show, promoted by Chris Dundee, drew 1,927 fans and $3,866. The winner weighed 182½, and the loser tipped 196½.

Bobby Elliott, returning after a long layoff, scored in eight over Ray Reed, 144, Hartford. Bobby weighed 152. Another good eighter resulted in the match between Andy Arel, 134, Philadelphia, and Billy Morgan, 135, Miami. Arel took the nod. He felled Billy in the fifth for a count but Morgan got up to make it interesting. John Rochia, 149, TKOed Eddie Alexander, 151½, in the fourth. JoJo Jordan grabbed four from Henry Brown.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Broadway Johnny Cox

NAT "KILLER" JACKSON, 136¾, New Orleans lightweight, moved another step higher in the lightweight parade in Dixieland by winning a unanimous ten round decision over Carl "Killer" Coates, 138, Baltimore, Md., in the final ten round bout of promoter Heard Ragas' card at the Coliseum Arena Aug. 29.

Ragas offered the fans a special added eight round attraction which introduced Mel Collins, New Orleans welterweight, in his first hometown fistic appearance. Collins was awarded a seven round kayo over Johnny Howard, Chicago, Ill.

Jackson, fighting one of the best fights of his career, nailed the aggressive and experienced Coates with his right hand kayo shots, but the Maryland Negro took them well.

Mel Collins, 146½, crashed the local scene with a bang in chalking up his seven round kayo over experienced and dangerous Johnny Howard, 146½, Chicago, Ill. Howard was no setup for Collins in his hometown debut and scored his 16th win in 17 professional starts.

Joey Lewis, local lightweight, scored a three round knockout over Johnny Powell and Solis Scott decisioned Cleveland Hamilton in four rounds.

1361 fans paid a gross gate of $1,912.27.

▶ Larry D'Antoni, president of the Louisiana Boxing Enterprises, Inc., announced that the LBE will continue staging fights locally. Blaise D'Antoni, who formed the new boxing group, resigned from the club at a recent luncheon and the stockholders voted to continue staging classy professional fights.

The fabulous Blaise D'Antoni, although resigning as the chairman of the board of directors, decided to hold his entire stock in the club but will take no active part in the boxing outfit.

J. T. Owen, former coach of Louisiana State University, who resigned that position to join the LBE, is executive vice-president and Bonny Geigerman, matchmaker.

▶ Ralph Dupas, No. 2 lightweight contender, is now making Oakland, Cal., his home and in his California debut was held to a ten round draw by Leonard Gaines, Richmond, Cal., Negro lightweight, who was engaging in his 14th professional fight. A low blow cost Dupas the decision. Referee Jack Silva had Dupas ahead 55½ to 54½ but took away a point for a low blow, bringing the verdict down to a draw.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

A NEWCOMER TO THE BOXING promotional field, William M. Mesel, active in the oil industry here, brought the sport back to Mount Pleasant, after an absence of 19 years. With Charlie Moskowitz doing the matchmaking, Mesel presented the state lightweight champion, Kenny Lane, of Muskegon, against Noel Humphries, of Charlestown, W. Va., and Kenny won his sixteenth in his last seventeen encounters. The bout was over the ten round route.

The attendance was held down to 1,100 fans (12,500 population), but the outlook for future shows here and other locations throughout the state by Mesel, looks promising. Mesel received grand support from the press and the fans had nothing but praise for the whole offering. The scoring of the Lane-Humphries bout was as follows: Referee Johnny Moore, 100-80; Judge Elmer Brissett, 100-86; and Judge Harold Anderson, 100-91; all in favor of Lane.

Chicago heavyweight Larry Watson stopped Tony Smith, of Huntington, W. Va., in 1:22 of the second. Basil Marie, Huntington welter, bested Wilbur Robinson, of Chicago, in six; Tom Johnson, Muskegon welter, decisioned Willie Likely, of Grand Rapids, in four, and Gerald Nelson, Mt. Pleasant, defeated Henry Henderson, of Chicago, in four.

▶ Continually we hear the cry of the shortage of talent, but looking around the Wolverine State we find an overabundance, if anything. Two fighters particularly in mind are heavyweight Johnny Summerlin and welterweight Duke Harris. Both are given a grand chance to get a crack at the big time bouts if and when given an opportunity. Summerlin has more than proven himself, having cleaned out all the competition here and out on the Pacific coast. Harris also has been moving at a rapid clip and in a short time should also be ready for the best at his weight.

▶ The one-time glamour boy of the Motor City Arena, Ken Hammer, 185, Detroit, returned after one year's absence to score the finest victory of his career, locally. Hammer gave crude but forceful Don Jasper, 190, Duluth, Minn., a bad beating in an excellent slugfest before 926 fans. Commission physician Dr. Leo Kallman refused to allow Jasper to come out for the fifth round despite protest from the corner men.

Jerry Nelson, 164½, Grand Rapids, drew with Rocky Volpe, 160, Chicago, in four, the only bout to go the distance; George Moore, 215, Detroit, halted Harold Johnson, 230¾, Grand Rapids, at 1:34 of the first; Andy Bond, 187¼, KO'd Ben Wallace, 176, Detroit, at 1:25 of the fourth; and John Rocha, 150, Chicago, iced Bill Rachoe, 154½, Detroit, at 1:51 of the fourth.

▶ Chuck Davey, 149, Detroit, returned to the ring after 15 months of inactivity, at Saganaw's St. Andrews Field, to do battle with Pat Manzi, 146, Syracuse, N. Y. Despite the fact Davey received the decision, a split one after ten rounds, his performance was below expectations. Davey was slow and sluggish, but fought a clever although dull battle. After the second, Davey kept Patrick missing outside and tied up in close. Judge Harold Anderson called the bout a draw, 97 points apiece, while judge Ed Haley and referee Bill Moore scored Davey ahead 97-94 and 96-92 respectively.

Co-promoters Hank Steinert and the Motor City BC were disappointed when only 2,647 spectators turned out, paying a gross of $7,973 which netted $6,643. Davey received a guarantee of $5,000 while Manzi settled for 15% or approximately $1,000. That left the promoters in the hole to the tune of $4,500.

The semi-final found the ever busy Allan Kennedy, Bay City welter, putting a damper on the comeback hopes of Chuck Price, of Detroit. Price, making his first start in ten months, was victim of a third round TKO.

Joe Garza, Detroit welter, scored his second comeback win by decision over Virgil Williams, of Monroe, in a four; Dick Custer, Bay City welter, edged out Chet Wiley, of Detroit, in four; and Bob Wichert, of Pigeon, bested John Harris, of Detroit, in four.

▶ Veteran campaigner Eddie Smith, 163, Detroit, put an end to Leffie Walker's nine bout winning streak by knockout at 1:59 of the second round. Walker, 157, Saginaw, was out cold for several minutes before regaining his feet. The victory was Smith's tenth in eleven starts during the past three years since returning from the Army.

The MCA co-feature, which had a turnout of 788 fans, found Joe Gray, 155½, Detroit, winning his seventh straight over Sam Piliarik, 157, Saginaw, in a six. Gray simply beat the once highly touted Piliarik to the punch time after time.

The end of the 114 day ban on Professional Boxing in Pennsylvania. Gov. George Leader signs the state's new boxing code, before the three commissioners, (left to right) Paul G. Sullivan, James G. (Sleepy Jim) Crowley, and Alfred M. Klein.

Larry McCartney, 148, Toledo, went to a standstill with Charley Smith, 141, Detroit, in a five. Frankie Flagg, 136, Detroit, bested Ray Farmer, 138, Monroe, in a four and Buddy Harris, 136, Pontiac, broke John Barnes', 137½, Detroit, jaw in the process of winning a five round decision.

▶ One of the brightest prospects in the welterweight division today, Clarence "Duke" Harris, 145½, Detroit, continued his upward climb with an excellent KO over Johnny Eubanks, 147, Pittsburgh, in the fifth round at the MCA before 884 paying spectators. Harris, who doesn't pick his spots, was forced to come from behind with a beautiful right hand that floored his opponent for the full count. It was Harris' third knockout victory in four starts this year, and overall Duke has lost only to Allie Gronik (twice on split decisions) and a disputed verdict to Al Andrews, in twenty starts.

Joe Garza, 150½, Detroit, TKO'd Tony Hendricks, 147¾, London, Ont., in the fourth; Holly Drew, 130, Detroit, drew with Dunn Dixson, 135, Detroit, in a five; Major Woodson, 146, Detroit, TKO'd Clarence Riley, 149, Detroit, in the second; Frank Flagg, 138, Detroit, beat Sonny Carew, 140, Detroit, in four; and Al Carpuck, 146, Saginaw, TKO'd Ronnie O'Berry, 147, Pontiac, in two.

▶ The winning ways of Dick Ramazetti, 131, Detroit, came to an abrupt halt when Russ Tague, 131½, Davenport, Iowa, stopped the local youngster at 1:33 of the second. After a slow opening round, Tague dropped Ramazetti twice and had him in pitiful shape when the contest and Dick's seventeen-bout winning streak were stopped.

Joe Garza, 149¾, Detroit, finished off Larry McCartney, 150, Toledo, impressively in 2:57 of the second. George Moore, 210½, Detroit, iced John Freeman, 184¾, Fort Wayne, Ind., in the second. Al Johnson, 143¾, Benton Harbor, bested Major Woodson, 145¼, Detroit, in a five round bout. Grady Johnson, 141, Pontiac, defeated Al Karput (Carpuck), 147, Saginaw, in a four, and Dunn Dixson, 134, Detroit, decisioned Jimmy Reeder, 128¼, Fort Wayne, Ind., in four.

One of the top contributors to the sport in this section of the country is popular Ted Ordanik, of Fairborn.

IN CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

ABOUT 3,100 FANS TURNED OUT at the Chicago Stadium to watch Bob Satterfield pound out a one-sided ten round decision over Nino Valdes. Satterfield, spotting Valdes 32 pounds, turned the battle his way by flooring the giant Cuban in the tenth round with a right hand smash to the chin. Valdes just beat the count at nine but was badly punished after he regained his feet and was lucky to finish the bout.

This was by far Satterfield's best win of his long career, and his 77 year old manager, Ike Bernstein, was overjoyed. The fight was nationally televised and presented by The International Boxing Club.

Johnny Gray beat Stan Mylinsky in six heats. Gene White decisioned Al Lane in another six spot. Mickey Carter kayoed Vince Donnelly in three and Benny Thomas won over Eddie Jones in six.

▶ At Mt. Pleasant, Mich.—Larry Watson, Omaha heavyweight traveled to Mt. Pleasant and scored a two round knockout over Tony Smith of Huntington, W. Va. Watson, looking sharp, dropped his opponent twice with right hand sledges to the body before applying the finisher.

▶ Jack Begun's newly acquired heavyweight, Ken Hammer, Detroit fighter, traveled to Miami Beach, Florida, and won a sensational ten round decision over Hans Friedrich, the roundhouse swinger from Germany.

▶ World traveler, Tom Walsh, who managed some of the world's top fighters in recent years is now an advance press agent for the Harlem Globe Trotters Basketball team.

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WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND EASTERN OHIO
By Albert M. (Al) Wolgast

THIS CORNER AND THE RING MAGAZINE scooped the field on the lifting of the Pa. Boxing Ban. Gov. GEORGE LEADER lifted the 114 day ban on the same day as the Ring hit the mails and stands with the Ring notice that the ban would be off.

▶ Ten Second Notes: Art Mayorga, Youngstown heavyweight, built in the order of Tony Galento, scored a knockout in the second round over Billy Moore in a Cleveland bout. . . . Lou Stanich, also of Youngstown, kayoed Ben Sovello in Cleveland. Lou is being tabbed as a good club-fighter. . . . Drop your notes to Al Wolgast, Farrell, Pa. . . . Aside to Bobby Lloyd. Have letter for you from Korea. Send your address to me. . . . Be sure, subscribe to the RING.

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

LITTLE CEZAR, 116, BANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPION of the Philippines, successfully defended his crown by knocking out Nazzareno Giannelli, 111½, of Italy, in the second round of their 12 round championship bout at the Coliseum. In the second round Cezar measured the challenger with a left and followed swiftly with a right to the face and a left uppercut to the stomach sent Giannelli to the floor clutching his midsection to be counted out. Aldo Spoldi, manager of the Italian, said that Cezar was too strong for his fighter.

Star Gony, 141, welterweight champion of the Philippines, stopped veteran Flashy Sebastian, 140, in the 7th round. Marshall Clayton, who was to have met Gony but became sick, so Flashy was selected to take his place. Flashy sent the champion to the floor for an 8 count in the fifth round and opened the champion's left eyelid with a right uppercut. In the 7th round Sebastian went down from exhaustion and was counted out on his back by referee Al Cante.

Frisco Reyes, 114, outpointed Dommy Ursuwa, 114, in 10 rounds. This was the best bout of the evening. Both boys mixed it freely in the middle of the ring with Reyes on the upper hand.

Bert Gonzales, 118, stopped Alfredo Barretto, 124, in the 4th round. In the fourth Gonzales landed a right sending Barretto to the floor for 9 count. He got up but was on Queer street and the referee, Capt. Johnny Laconico, stopped the fight.

Steve Tony, 151, badly outpointed Teody Alama, 151, of Mindanao in 6 rounds. Plaza Wonder Boy, 123, bested Young Elena, 121, in 6 rounds. Buddy de Marco, 114, badly outpointed Viva Zapata in another 6 rounder. Marcial Messina, 101, of Pampanga, outscored Tony Fernandez, 108, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Veteran Aguido, Jr., 127, drew with Ernie Brown, 135, in the 6 round main event in Mendez, Cavite. Little Raytranco, 110, lost to Baby Boy, 112, in 6 rounds. Flash Boy Indang, 108, halted Young Talapos, 108, in the 2nd round. Lee Ming Chan, 118, won over Speedy Sandy, 120, in 4 rounds. Dado Corpus, 108, kayoed Elorde Clemente, 115, in the 2nd round. Little Tony, 115, knocked out Little Simmy, 120, in the 2nd stanza.

▶Newly crowned lightweight champion of the Philippines, Leo Alonzo, defended his title by stopping Tommy Romulo, 133, in the 10th round at the Coliseum. In the 8th round, Alonzo sent Romulo to the canvas with a left and a right to the face for a 3 count. The GAB doctor stopped the bout, awarding the decision to the champion during the rest period between the 10th and the 11th due to heavy bleeding.

▶Al Asuncion, 118, stopped Mitsue Yamamoto, 116½, in the 4th round. In the 4th round Al found his rival's weakest point, the breadbasket. A left and a right sent the Jap down to be counted out for good.

Willie Tomada, 126, kayoed Al Custer, 127, in the 6th round. It was a grudge fight. In the 2nd round Custer sent Tomada 4 times to the floor. In the 6th round, Tomada landed two rights to Custer's right ribs sending him down and counted out.

Golden Boy, 111, won over Rad Capistrano, 111, in 6 rounds. 7-Up Flash, 115, was beaten by Joe Cruz, 117, in 4 rounds. Manolo Duque, 110, bested Speedy Orlando, 113, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Primo Carnera, former heavyweight champion of the world and now a wrestler, was seen in action at the Coliseum against the Japanese wrestler Roshomon, 220 pounds. Carnera was too big and strong for his smaller opponent. In less than 20 minutes the disappointed crowd saw Carnera pin the Jap with a body press. The Japanese tried his paralyzing chops but to no effect.

Tanny Campo, 120, drew with Cunning Andy, 112, in 10 rounds. Terry Blanker, 131, won over Bob Burdett, 130, in 8 rounds. Smart Francis, 126, and J. Poncho, 124, drew in 6. Roland Lauricio, 118, knocked out Star Corro, 119, in the very 1st round of a scheduled 4 round bout. Teddy Robles, 124, won over Young Nicar, 121, in the 4 round opener.

▶Baby Ross, 114, won over Little Brown, 110, in 8 rounds in Lucena. Mario Manuel, 115, lost to Rush Bulan, 115, in 6 rounds. Primo Paraiso, 118, and Young Burner, 118, drew in 6. Young Caring, 114, stopped Fighting Burgos, 116, in the 1st round. Smart Pedring, 118, and Dave 93, 120, drew in 4. Young Temy, 95, lost to Little Espinosa, 95, in another 4 rounder. Flashy Andy, 115, beat Strong Laguna, 118, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Lorry Amate, 110, and Little Raytranco, 112, drew in 6 rounds in Tayabas, Quezon Province. Leo Silvestre, 122, outboxed Frankie Villa, 120, in 6 rounds. Young Coling, 114, outscored Small Tecio, 112, in another 6 rounder. Young Tony, 105, halted Baby Mario, 106, in the 2nd round. Danny Guevarra, 112, iced Clever Sally, 115, in the 3rd round. Fighting Pacific, 118, and Rush Polding, 117, drew in 4 rounds.

▶Nestor Reyes, 120, stopped Young Eddie, 122, in the 4th round in Olongapo. Terry Flores, 132, disposed of Tuffy Salcedo, 128, in the 5th round. Young Albier, 117, halted Young Bataan, 115, in the 2nd round. Bil Florendo, 119, kayoed Al Ramirez, 118, in the 3rd round. Boy Davidas, 122, outfought Baby dela Cruz, 128, in 6 rounds. Star Lorenzo, 114, shaded Baby Napkil, 115, in 4 rounds. Little Paguio, 120, whipped Kid Visaya, 114, in 4. Fighting Julio, 112, stopped Cyclone Santos, 118, in the 3rd round.

▶Cris Miranda, 112, did not have a hard time in disposing Rino Kid, 112, in the 3rd round in Lucban, Quezon Province. Leo Santos, 114, lost to Rudy Torres, 113, in 6 rounds. Flash Olanio, 115, kayoed Cyclone Unit, 122, in the 2nd round. Fighting Abraham, 119, won over Clever Malubay, 122, in 4. Young Palomaris, 105, badly beat Young Dumaguilas, 105, in 4 rounds. Young Tony, 122, bested Tony Quezon, 123, in 4. Brioso Jr., 105, disposed Kid Eleazar, 105, in the 3rd round.

▶Two top ranking lightweights of the country, Severo Fuentes and Tommy Lerma met in Zamboanga city in 8 rounds. Although Lerma received the decision, many believed that Fuentes had the edge after 8 rounds in which he was the aggressor. The decision was booed by the crowd.

Rody Ongko, 115, stopped Arco Kid, 117, in the 6th round. Young Felix, 114, kayoed Jim Smile, 113, in the 4th. Star Bravo, 112, halted Baby Almugin, 111, in the 4th round. Young Terry, 110, decisioned Ben Macansantos, 112, in four. Jessie Mars, 110, and Max Yourk, 110, drew in 4. Kid Moro, 120, stopped Leoncio Delvo, 122, in the 3rd round. Kid Liberty, 113, and Classy Astery, 114, drew in the 4 round opener.

▶Dommy Roxas, 142, badly outpointed Terry Flores, 144, in 8 rounds in Lucena. Bagumbayan Boy, 135, stopped Star Romy, 132, in the 5th round. Rey Escober, 119, was beaten by Joe Zamora, 118, in 6. Rudy Guzman, 116, stopped Fighting Pacific, 118, in the 2nd round. Dave 93, 122, and Boy Brioso, 124, drew in 4. Pete Abella, 112, iced Terrible Papa, 118, in the 3rd round. Speed Inggo, 120, and Strong Laguna, 119, drew in 4.

▶Danny Kid Jr., 132, won over Baby Mortell Jr., 132, in 6 rounds in Tayabas. King Von Nelson, 135, lost to Star Castillo, 135, in 6. Anong Jr., 103, outspeed Cotta Boy, 103, in another 6 rounder.

Fighting Cito, 115, bested Rush Mandani, 112, in 4. Memorial Boy, 105, whipped Young Dumaguilas, 108, in 4 rounder. Kid Eleazar, 112, bested Brioso Jr., 116 in 4 rounds. Herrera's Boy, 95, knocked out Tommy Jr., 96, in the 2nd round of the curtain raiser.

▶Waling Waling Boy, 119, and Billy Valez, 121, drew in 6 rounds in Candelaria. Oscar Ruis, 131, stopped Strong Brioso, 130, in the 5th round. Baby Nenet, 113, outfought Tommy Gomez, 118, in 6 rounds. Strong Delfin, 128, and Flash Salvador, 130, drew in 4.

Young Del Pilar, 111, stopped Clever Visaya, 110, in the 1st round. Fred Wilson, 119, beat Little Del Pilar, 115, in 4. Lefty Albay, 112, won over Little Tony, 115, in opening 4 rounds.

▶Gene Aragon, 120, and Little Dundee, 116, drew in 6 round main event in Tayabas. Leo Silvestre, 120, halted Joe Brazil, 118, in the 6th round. Cyclone Unita, 118, and Young Dommy, 118, drew in 4.

Kid Santos, 125, disposed Star Fredy, 127, in the 2nd round. Little Sabo, 105, kayoed Little Magno, 110, in the 2nd round. Young Anar, 120, won over Smart de Villa, 118, in 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Ben Escobar, former featherweight champion of the Philippines, knocked out Nursery Kid, 128, in the 6th round in Bacolod City. Young Brown, 118, halted Fred Sullivan, 117, in the 3rd round. Small Joe, 115, won over Dorty Articulo, 117, in 6 rounds.

Star Valencia, 112, beat Tony Martinez, 111, in 4. Speed Montealto, 110, licked Dandansoy Kid, 109, in 4 rounds. Little Pamping, 108, disposed Young Tor, 110, in the 3rd round of the curtain raiser.

▶Flash Elorde, who recently upset the featherweight champion of the world, Sandy Saddler, left for America with Lope Sarreal and Danny Kidd.

NEWS FROM LA LAGUNA, MEXICO
By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

LA LAGUNA AUDITORIUM, TORREON:—Raul Leaños, 116, kid brother of old Juan, won a decision over Serapio "Sapito" Jiménez, 117, in ten rounds. Jesús García, 143, got a booed decision triumph over newcomer Daladier Urista, 141, in eight.

▶Arena "Olímpica Laguna", Gómez Palacio:—Humberto Carrillo, 123, won as he pleased to Julio Escobedo, 129, Mexico City. This 10-round fight was witnessed by 3,000 fans. In the 10-round semi, Pedro Piña, 132, iced Luis Covarrubias, 128, Mexico City, in four. Manuel "The Bull" Rocha, 146, KO'd Baby García, 150, in the second round. Antonio "Zorito" Ramírez, 128, stopped Mario de la Rosa, 129, also in the second.

▶Arena "Obrero", Torreón:—Roy Hernández, 129, Mexico City, easily outpointed Manuel "Zurdo" Mendoza, La Laguna Lightweight Champion, in ten. Jorge Valverde, 116, scored a two-round kayo over Chiquilín Torres, 117, Mexico City. Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 120, won by disqualification over Enrique Espinosa, 122, in the fifth round.

▶Auditorium "Cruz Blanca", Chávez:—Chino Colonia (Rubén Ibarra), 137, beat Domingo Hidalgo, 139, in ten rounds. Ray Mejía, 134, and Luis Herminio Vázquez, 139, drew in ten rounds. Juan Collazo, 123, defeated Lucio Polina Hidalgo, 123, also in ten.

▶Arena "Olímpica Laguna", Gómez Palacio:—Jorge Valverde, 117, embalmed Alejo Mejía, 117, in the sixth. Manuel "The Bull" Rocha, 147, iced Emilio Román, 146, in four. Antonio "Zorrito" Ramírez, 127, KO'd Kid Manolo Luna, 126, in the eighth round.

▶Club Olímpico, Durango:—Marcelo Vargas, 137, bested Manuel Muñoz, 138, in ten. Humberto "Estudiante" Olmos, 126, outpointed Leandro García, 119, in ten rounds. Ignacio "Tuntun" Torres, 112, and Augustín "Diablito" Campos, 115, drew in 6 rounds.

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NEWS FROM VENEZUELA
By William Albert

AT BARQUISIMETO, IN A CARD PROMOTED by Juan Pablo Perez, Salomon Carrizales, former Olympic welterweight, was kayoed by Samuel Nunez of Portugal in three. Nunez proved he had a real punch, scoring three knockdowns.

Veteran Guillermo Prieto, 135, outpointed Ognacio Ascencio, 134, of Spain, in eight. Raul Tovar, Venezuelan welter, making his pro debut, kayoed Jose Acosta in two rounds. Concepcion Pacheco defeated Jose Mayora in four. Felix Guevara, 112, won over Jose Salas in four. Gate $1,172.

▶Maracaibo City: Sonny Leon, 126, lost to Bobo Francis, 127, of Panama, in a furious ten rounder at the Nuevo Circo. It was a spit decision. Evilio Rios, 149, halted Antonio Gonzales, 150, in four.

▶At Caracas: Italian Fernando Spallotta, 150, kayoed Emilio Jackson, 149, in the eighth round at the Palacio de los Desportes. Jackson outboxed his foe for seven rounds but ran into trouble in the eighth. Marcelino Molina, 135, outpointed J. J. Ruiz, 134, in eight. Jose Ramon Delgado, 128, lost to Enrique Bidai, 130, in six. Victor Romero, 130, halted Armando Torres, 134, in four. Jose Cisnero stopped Pablo Gonzalez in four of a flyweight match. Gate: $1,005 plus TV rights.

▶Caracas: Guillermo (Chicharrita) Medina, leading featherweight challenger, defeated Orlando Casillo of Cuba in ten at the Palacio de los Deportes. The card was promoted by Jacinto Parra Silva, with 1,500 fans paying $2,450. It was televised.

Ignacio Ascencio, 135, of Spain, lost to Gonsalo Andueza, 134, in eight. Victor Romero, promising lightweight, knocked out Blas Heredia in five. Nicolas Ascanio, 112, won in four over Felix Guevara. Jose Cisnero defeated Felipe Trujillo, 112, in four.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

WITH THE RETIREMENT OF champion Tito Despaigne, Irvin Blue, 144½, and Jose Edwin, 143½, fought in the finals for the vacant welterweight title in a show at the National Gymnasium, Panama, promoted by Louis Craig.

After fifteen rounds there was little to choose between these two fighters recently graduated from the amateur ranks but Blue earned a split decision.

Roberto Murillo, 124, won a six rounder from Rafael Brathwaite, 127½, in the best fight of the night. Juan Salazar, 121½, gained a split four rounder from Alfredo Marshall, 124.

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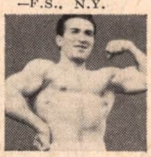

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